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## LAURA MABEL GUESS COMMITS SUICIDE

It was a shock to the neighborhood and to the entire community, when Mrs. W. B. Guess died Thursday evening from strichine poison taken with suicidal intent.

She was a young woman of 26 years, always seemed cheerful when on the streets and the general public little dreamed that she had any cares or worries that might lead to her taking her own life.

About 5:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon she was taken violently ill and her screams brought her husband and neighbors in and Dr. McClure was hastily summoned, when he arrived she was in convulsions and beyond medical aid.

If she left a letter giving reasons for taking her own life, we have not been informed of the fact, though it is rumored that she had told that she expected to commit suicide.

An anonymous letter to the editor told of the reasons, but we are paying no attention to such communications.

Laura Mabel Guess was born in Kentucky May 30, 1898, and died in Sikeston, Thursday, February 28, 1924. The funeral services were held at the Baptist Church Saturday afternoon, Rev. S. P. Brite, officiating, and the frail little body was laid to rest in the City Cemetery. May the Lord have mercy on her soul.

Dr. and Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Curtis Buesching of New Madrid shopped in Sikeston Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Toof, who have been living at the home of Miss Mag Tanner, have moved to the Hotel Mar-

Mrs. Margaret Ashley returned Thursday of last week from New Madrid, where she had been visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bowman and daughter of Lutesville, Mrs. J. R. Bowman and children and Bryce Goodin of Jackson were Sunday guests of Mrs. Nellie Estes and Miss Grace Estes.

Having buried Woodrow Wilson and eulogized him to the skies, are his Monroe county admirers going to remain away from next Friday's mass meetings and let all the delegates go to the man who persecuted him for righteousness sake?

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Plant Department held an all day meeting at the local office here Sunday. Those present were: W. F. Stricker, of Charleston; B. D. Cowan, Dexter; W. N. Hamer, Poplar Bluff; W. T. Lewis, Oran; J. Book, Malden; J. E. Entwistle, Caruthersville; J. E. Everett, Senath; R. Payne, Kennett; J. Winter, New Madrid; O. F. Volk and G. B. Grifer, Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Joe Matthews entertained with an all day party at her home Saturday. Those present were: Mrs. Ralph Carson, Mrs. Frank Ashby, Mrs. Lorin Shelby, Mrs. Ernest Story, Mrs. Clyde Swank, Mrs. Gunter Simpson, Mrs. Horace Jordan, Mrs. Harry Bond, Mrs. Miles Lee, Mrs. Scott Alexander, Mrs. H. H. Cornwall, Miss Paule Moore, Ida Deal and Lila Harris, all of Charleston. Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., and Mrs. Moore Greer. A delightful dinner was served, while the afternoon was spent in playing Bridge.

The Standard is surprised that Dr. E. J. Malone is so wrought up against the sewerage bond issue that he is making a hot personal fight against that proposition. Dr. Malone, at one time a practicing physician, should know what a sanitary sewer means to Sikeston and should be spending his time and talents fighting for instead of against it. He has been signally honored by the people of his home town and is now a candidate for State Senator, is one of the wealthy men of Southeast Missouri and should be a leader in the movement for the betterment of his home town instead of advocating surface sewerage and more privies. He is the owner of more than half a hundred houses in Sikeston, he and his family radiate wealth to such a degree, that they do not depend upon the sweat of their own brow for a livelihood, hence it is to those who are so blessed that we, who are less blessed, look to take the lead in progressive movements for the betterment of our city. When they refuse, it should be the duty of us poor folks to place the burden on their shoulders and make them bear it whether they want to or not.

## MUSIC APPRECIATION MEMORY CONTEST

The following are pupils making 100 per cent for this week:

Grade 3—Banner room, Mrs. Davis: Sam Bowman, Morie Geaham, Marjorie Mow, Louise Wood, Marvin Ferrell, Levi Jones, Russell Watkins, Orville Stewart, Florine Perdue, J. R. Humphrey, Verna Dubois, Vida Mize, Emma Lile, Hughlyn Hawkins, Thelma Kirby, Leo Cunningham and Byron Briggs.

Grade IV—Banner Room, Miss Shy: Elmo Warren, Lena Stone, Helen Hartzell, Strawdie Ingram, Virginia Randal, Ruby Wells, Mary Lancaster, Reida Aaron, Vivian Glover, Elizabeth Pratt, Walter McGee, Dorothy Bell Davis, Grover Keller, Esther Stokes, Burl Baker, Amos Hargrove, Wilson McCullan, Mayme Jean Wilbur, Martha Weekley.

Grade V.—Banner room, Miss Davidson: Virginia Mount, Virginia Milem, Hazel Lumsden, Gustine Swanagen and Jessie Carr.

Sikeston is the only city in Southeast Missouri of any size that hasn't a sanitary sewer system. Cape Girardeau, Charleston, Poplar Bluff, Dexter, Kennett and Caruthersville all have them. Festus has voted \$175,000 for sewer and Farmington \$100,000. Both systems are now under construction. Sikeston is now in the class with Oran, Morley and New Madrid. Let's put her at the head of the other class.

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Frank Lair, Jr., of Charleston was a visitor at The Standard office Monday morning.

The D. A. R. regular meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Walter Clymer, Saturday. Several members were present.

The W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Lescher, on Wednesday, March 12.

H. E. Edmondson, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. C. H. Yanson, for several days, returned to his home at Kennett, Sunday.

Mrs. Esner of Benton is spending the week with her son, Mrs. Tony Midderhoff.

Joe Lagore, who attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. W. B. Guess, Saturday, returned Sunday to his home at Paducah, Ky.

We regret to learn that Dr. J. H. Kready suffered a slight stroke of facial paralysis Thursday. While he is still at the store, we hope that he will soon recover from the attack.

During the past year Sikeston was the most advertised town between St. Louis and Memphis and the most talked-of town. Why? Because her enterprising citizens went down into their pockets and secured funds to bring a branch of the International Shoe Company to Sikeston.

This progressive move calls for further sacrifices in the way of small additions to our taxes in order to provide proper sewer service for Sikeston. We are at a standstill until this proposition is put over. The additional tax will be something like \$3 per thousand assessed valuation on property, scattered over a space of twenty years. This will not be an expensive investment as it will insure the health of the city by doing away with cess pools and other like menaces to health. Many improvements of importance are awaiting the outcome of the special election. It would be a step backward to defeat this bond issue for such a purpose and The Standard urges every voter who has the future welfare of the city at heart to make it a point to go to the polls and vote YES on the proposition.

Harry G. Blanton and C. H. Denman represented Sikeston at the meeting.

A preliminary meeting was held at the Elks Club in Cape Girardeau, Friday evening, to which the following Sikestonians were present: C. F. Bruton, Fred Schorle, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brenton, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman, Mrs. Maude Stubbs, Mrs. J. M. Pittman, Mrs. Harry Dudley, Miss Audrey Chaney and Miss Pauline Graham.

Mrs. Warren Guess of Tolu, Kentucky, who arrived here Friday to attend the funeral of her niece, Mrs. W. B. Guess, is spending a few days here with relatives.

Mrs. W. T. Shanks of Woodman, Colo., is expected in Sikeston this afternoon for a short visit with homefolks and look after business interests. It will be good news to the friends of Mr. Shanks to hear that he has been free of fever for some days and is doing much better than expected.

While in reminiscent mood the other day, John Fox stated that while in Nagasaki, Japan, during the Spanish-American war, he went into a tailor shop to price a suit of clothes, was told the price per suit, tailor-made, was \$5. This was 8:00 a. m. He had his measure taken for a suit and it was delivered to his hotel at 5:00 p. m. The second suit he ordered was delivered next morning at 8 a. m. Just back of the room where his measure was taken, were 20 tailors sitting on the floor for their bench and to each was given a part of the suit and then the finished pieces were assembled and put together. While on the return trip he priced the same grade suit from a fashionable tailor in St. Louis, and he asked \$65 for it.

The Boy Scout movement is fine and dandy and should be encouraged by everyone who is interested in the future welfare of our boys. At the same time the effort to raise \$6000 in Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, and Scott Countines to employ a high priced man to look out for the welfare of these boys, is bordering on extravagance that should not be encouraged. It looks like every community should have some man who is clean in mind and habits who could be induced to take charge of Scout Companies without the high salary attached. Local merchants have usually contributed from their shelves, provisions for Scout camping trips without much expense and the boys enjoyed them immensely. A high priced Scout Master and a bunch of red tape is calculated to bring up a bunch of snobs instead of a bunch of healthy, red blooded boys.

The Executive Board of the Missouri Baptist General Association is holding twenty Regional Conferences in the State in the interest of the two Great Boards of Southern Baptist Convention, the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. The conference in Sikeston will be under the direction of Dr. J. W. Reagle of Kansas City, Superintendent of Evangelism. The meetings will be at the Baptist Church Thursday evening of this week at 7:30. Two addresses will be given. One by Dr. Frank Connally of Shanty, China and one by Dr. R. B. Whiteside of St. Louis. Friday at 10:00 a. m. The addresses will be by Dr. E. V. Lamb, Moberly, Mo. and Dr. C. B. Miller, Springfield, Mo. There will also be a meeting on Friday afternoon. The speakers are not announced. Lunch will be served in the basement of the church. On Thursday evening at 6:00 p. m. and also Friday noon for all visiting pastors. Some 400 or 500 pastors in the Southeast Missouri district are expected at the meeting. The meeting is open to all who are interested in the great Mission program of the Baptist Denomination.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom Scott as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce F. K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Parm A. Stone of Sikeston for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce L. P. Gober of Vanduser for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

COUNTY ASSESSOR  
We are authorized to announce Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Geo. C. Bean, of Illinois, for assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

## CHIEF OF POLICE

We are authorized to announce W. R. Burks for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. H. Hayden, for Chief of Police, of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. B. Randal for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Bill Carson for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

## POLICE JUDGE

We are authorized to announce Jos. W. Meyers for Police Judge of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. C. Lescher for Police Judge of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

## CITY COLLECTOR

We are authorized to announce G. F. Deane, of Matthews, as a candidate for Sheriff of New Madrid County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

MISSOURI DEMOCRATS  
FIRE BARAGE AT REED

Columbia, Mo., February 28.—W. D. Vandiver, head of the League of Loyalty Democrats who opposed Senator Reed's re-election in 1922, has prepared a list of questions which he asks the senator to answer during his present speaking tour in Missouri.

The questions in part:

First—Never before has a candidate for the high office of president so lowered its dignity and his own dignity as to leave his post of duty in Washington and come home to campaign his own state asking his own people to give him a certificate of good character and endorse him as their "favorite son" candidate for presidential nomination.

You have been hired and are being paid to represent Missouri in the United States Senate. Common honesty and becoming modesty would seem to require you to stay on the job unless in pride and unkindness of action your state should call you to a higher place. It has not done so, but you assume to be her "favorite son".

When you must know that fully a quarter of a million Missouri Democrats, the best people of the state, will never admit the claim.

Second—As you insist on campaigning Missouri for yourself instead of doing the work that you are hired to do in Washington, we have the right to ask you to fully and clearly answer, why you have always taken more pleasure in throwing mud at other Democrats than in supporting the platform and the candidates of the party which had honored you? Why should you not be considered a traitor to your party?

Third—is it not true, as Senator Tamm, chairman of the investigating committee, announced, that dragging McAdoo's name into the oil scandal was done at your request? and is it not true, as Senator Walsh (leading Democrat on that committee) declares over his own signature, that McAdoo was fully exonerated as entirely blameless? In short, is it not true you would besmirch the character of any man who stands in your way?

And is it not true that this effort reacted so forcibly that on the next day after McAdoo gave his testimony the Legislature of the old Democratic state of South Carolina withdrew

their invitation for you to address them, the charge being openly made

on the floor of that body that you were a traitor to your country during the war and ought to have been stood up against a stone wall and shot as a traitor? If you are such a brave man why don't you go to South Carolina and answer this villainous charge?

Fourth—On what ground did the South Carolina representative make such a serious charge against a senator from Missouri? We surmise

## THE SIXES IN STANDARD

that he remembers darkest days of a greatest army ever transported across the seas was made by Herculean efforts of all the American officials, you were strong vicious cuttisisms against the commander-in-chief and his most brilliant assistants and how these venomous shafts, fired from the rear while our brave boys were facing a powerful enemy in front, were taken up by that same enemy and scattered among the German regiments of the Hindenburg Line in order to discredit our own commanders and build up the tottering morale of the German army. Are not these things true? Six years have not blotted them out of our memory. If this was not giving aid and comfort to the enemy what more could you have done?

Fifth—When you refused to be governed by a caucus of Democratic senators but went into combination with Republican senators to defeat measures proposed by a Democratic president and set up your own judgment against that of 40 other Democratic senators, were you then calling for "harmony" in Democratic ranks or were you gratifying personal vengeance in disregard of those who had first sent you to the Senate?

Sixth—When you had McAdoo's name dragged into the oil scandal to show that he, a lawyer and private citizen, had received \$25,000 a year from Doheny as his attorney looking after his interests in Mexico, why did you not offer, as McAdoo did, to go before the committee and testify under oath as to any and all services rendered or fees received before? He is a private citizen; you are a senator, a government official. Why don't you volunteer, now, to testify under oath as to your employment by the Universal Oil Products Co., and the fee of a million dollars you are to get from this concern, which fact is known to a small circle of your personal friends and supporters? Is it your legal ability or your influence as a United States Senator that is valued so highly?

Seventh—Then when you raise your hands in holy horror at the thought of an ex-cabinet officer taking remunerative employment, a year after he is out of office, from a company that he had no dealings with while in office, did it occur to you that there are still living in Missouri many people who still remember that you, while mayor of Kansas City, fought the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, arguing for municipal ownership of the street car lines; and then, how you, a short time after going out of the mayor's office, became attorney for this same street car company and sold your services and your influence at a good price to secure a renewal of their charter for 49 years, thus killing municipal ownership, for nearly half a century to come?

Eighth—When you denounced ex-Secretary Fall for the corruption which has now dragged him down in disgrace, did it occur to you that if he gets well enough to fight, he might remind you that only five years ago he was your pal, your "buddy" and side partner in all your vicious attacks on the slick man in the White House? Fall is a crook now and was a crook then. You only turned on him to deliver the last kick after everybody else learned of his fall.

But for your help he might never have had the opportunity of selling oil leases. Did he owe this opportunity to any other Democrat as much as to you?

Ninth—When you moralize over the laxity of the restraining influences in our country and the shame of the "breaking down" of our moral standards, did you have in mind your own standard of ethics as a lawyer and a senator in the St. Joseph railroad case, when your fellow attorney had to sue you to get his share of the \$60,000 swag? Or were you thinking of your employment by the Armour Packing Company while you are still a senator? Or was it the oil company in which Phillip Armour is the largest stockholder? Or was it George Creel's caustic reference to your first entrance into Missouri "racing ahead of outraged public sentiment at Cedar Rapids, Iowa?"

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To remove scorched places, wet with white cloth in peroxide and lay it on the scorched place, and press it with a hot iron.

If cooked meat must stand after it is done, place it in a dish and set it over a pan of boiling water. Put this on the back of the range and cover with a cloth. It will keep hot and retain the juice.

Paraffin poured down the drain will often clear a scullery sink that is stopped up. After some time a large jug of boiling water, in which a handful of soda has been dissolved, should be poured down the sink.

## A Wilson Memorial Prayer

(This prayer was offered by Rev. Martin T. Haw, pastor of the Columbia, Mo., Methodist Church, on the occasion of the Memorial Service in memory of Woodrow Wilson, held in Missouri University Auditorium, February 6, 1924.)

"O God, our help ages past;  
Our hope for years to come;  
We thank Thee, that when human wisdom came to naught and darkness covered the face of the earth, Thou didst not leave us without hope, and vision did not fail.

We thank Thee that at such a time, Thou didst raise up from Thy people a prophet, Woodrow Wilson, the apostle of the Second Commandment; that it was given unto him, as it was not given to the Prophets of old, to speak to all mankind and that his voice was heard to the ends of the earth; that from the ranks of this Thy great people Thou didst bring forth a man to speak to all the nations; that to him it was given to idealize our history and our hopes and make them into a saving gospel for a shattered world.

Flesh and blood did not reveal this unto him, but it was given unto him by the Heavenly Father.

We mourn that a sin-sick and storm-tossed world could listen but for a moment, that it could look but for an instant; that the face of the prophet had to be veiled, veiled in disappointment—in humiliation, and in suffering. We mourn for this our great people who murmured and complained and longed for the flesh pots of Egypt while on the border of the Promised Land. Lay not this sin to their charge. Of old our fathers slew the prophets and their children built their sepulchres.

We had hoped that it should be he who would lead us into the security of universal brotherhood, but he was smitten and broken before our eyes. To him it was given to wear a crown of thorns. He sang a winsome song of brotherhood and good will—but his voice was swallowed up by the night winds of contention and strife. But he was bruised for our transgressions and the iniquity of us all was laid on him. As he walked the narrow way of chastened leadership and treated the highway of sacrifice,

"A mortal arrow pierced his frame.  
He fell but felt no fear"."His sword was in his hand  
Still warm with recent fight  
Ready that moment on command  
Through rock and steel to smite"."The palms of death are past  
Labor and sorrow cease  
And life's long warfare closed at last,  
His soul is found in peace".

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come. Grant that his death and that of his comrades in the Great War, be not in vain. Defer not too long, the Resurrection. May

their hope be our realization, their dream our experience. Send by whom Thou wilt send and lead by whom Thou wilt lead, but bring us to the plains of abiding peace and to the uplands of undimmed truth, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord—Amen.

A LETTER FROM C. J. ELLIS  
TO HOMEFOLKSU. S. S. Langley,  
St. Thomas, Porto Rico

Dearest mother:

Received your most welcome letter a few days ago and was certainly glad to get news from home, as it is the first mail that I have received since I left the states, which was January 4.

Mother, we have traveled about 3,000 miles since we left Hampton Roads and have certainly had a good time on our trip. We stayed in Panama five days and while there I saw several boys which were my buddies on the West Coast, and they were certainly like brothers to me. There were twenty-three battle ships and almost every ship the navy has was at Panama. There were about fifty-six thousand sailors there at the time. This is one trip which I shall never forget for a fellow can almost write a book on the beautiful things he sees. I have seen some of the prettiest scenery, they were pictures in themselves. We are leaving St. Thomas Monday for the States. Our next destination will be Pensacola, Fla. We will arrive there about February 11.

I am in the best of health and hope the folks the same. Lovingly,  
Your son,  
CLENIPON J. ELLIS,  
U. S. S. Langley  
Pensacola, Fla.

Homer Lynch of Charleston was in Sikeston on business, Thursday of last week.

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Mr. Hill and Albert Bruton spent Sunday at St. Marys, Mo.

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## DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING FRIDAY

### TO THE DEMOCRATS OF SCOTT COUNTY, MISSOURI:

In accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Democratic State Committee, township conventions are hereby called to be held in each township at the following places, on March 7, 1924, at 2:30 p.m.

Commerce Township, at the City Hall in Commersee.

Typpard Township, at the auditorium of the Public School at Diehlstadt.

Sandywoods Township, in Bess' Store at Blodgett.

Richland Township, in the Chamber of Commerce room, at Sikeston.

Kelso Township, the West half of the Township at the City Hall in Chaffee; the East half of the township at the City Hall in Fornelt.

Moreland township of New Hamburg at New Hamburg; and the rest of the township at the Court House in Benton.

Morley Township for Vanduser at L. O. Williams' Store; for Morley, at Emerson & Smith's office.

Sylvania Township at Oran.

These township mass meetings are held for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the County Convention to be held in the Circuit Court room at Benton, on March 8, at 2:30 p.m., which in turn will elect eight delegates from Scott County to attend the State Convention to be held at Springfield, Mo., in April.

The Township Conventions will elect delegates as follows:

Commerce, five delegates; Diehlstadt, two; Blodgett, six; Sikeston, twenty-five; Chaffee, twelve; Fornelt, fourteen; Benton, four; New Hamburg, one; Morley, six; Vanduser, four; Oran, six.

Each delegation as far as possible should consist equally of men and women.

By order of the County Committee: HARRY C. BLANTON, Chairman HAL BOYCE, Secretary.

Mrs. James Matthews of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Lyman Bowman and Mrs. Ella Scott.

The Boy Scout meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms Friday morning for the purpose of deciding whether in their opinion Sikeston would want to become a part of a district organization of Boy Scouts comprising the counties of Cape Girardeau, Scott and Mississippi. These present decided that the movement should be endorsed, but that nothing binding should be decided upon until a committee had met with representatives at Cape Girardeau and determine how much of a budget would be needed and how much money would have to be raised in Sikeston. A committee composed of C. F. Bruton and C. H. Denman of the Lions Club, Mrs. B. F. Blanton of the Woman's Club, Mrs. Maude Stubbs of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. J. M. Pitman of the Mothers' Club, Mrs. C. E. Brenton of the Co-Workers, Miss Audrey Chaney of the D. A. R., Miss Pauline Graham of the U. D. C., Charles Hebbeler and C. E. Brenton of the Chamber of Commerce and Fred Schorle of the Catholic church were appointed to meet at 6:30 Friday evening in the Elks Club room at Cape Girardeau with other representatives of the districts, to take care of such matters as might properly come before the committee.

### Real Estate Transfers

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Jim Beasley and Booker Hutchison, lot 10 block 6 Sunset addition, Sikeston, \$100.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Frank Moy, lot 5 block 6 Sunset addition Sikeston, \$125.

Walter McIntyre to Leo Becker 124.83 acres 2-27-14, \$4000.

J. M. Congleton to Joe Merritt, lots 9, 10, 11, 12 block 47 Morley, \$1.

Matilda Malugen et al to Gustav Sander, 40 acres 24-29-14, \$1.

Hoosier Land & Investment Co. to G. C. Duman, lot 12 block 8 lot 2 block 9 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1.

Alexander Wright, heirs to H. S. Winters, north half lot 14, all lots 15, 16 block 12 Oran, \$1.

T. W. Anderson to H. D. Rodgers and J. Cade Stewart, 128.727 acres surveys 215 and 321 29-14, \$250.

Clymer Heirs to Melissa Loftin, part lot 23, all lots 24, 25, part lot 26 oMore addition Commerce, \$475.

N. F. Anderson to Augustus Schivitz, lot 132 Oakdale cemetery, \$25.

Marshall Land & Merc. Co. to R. L. Buck, J. W. Moore, J. F. Misfeldt, Jobe Spener, etc. Spener, Cal Spener, Andy Yilhelm to State of Missouri, right of way deeds for Charlestion-Benton road \$1, each.

Leonard McMullin to Dug Graham, lot 5 outblock 9 Sikeston, \$2850.66.—Benton Democrat.

Dr. Warren Smith of Holland, Mo., was a Sikeston visitor last week.

Miss Mary Bernice Rusk of Cairo, Ill., visited over the week-end with Misses Evelyn Smith and Burdine Schroff in this city.

John Young, Carroll Pinkley and Bernard De Lisle of Portageville were the Sunday guests of John Weller.

FOR RENT—Two rooms, furnished for light housekeeping. For information call Mrs. Lillian Miller, phone 124.

The same wide awake citizens are backing the sewer bond issue who backed the shoe factory proposition and hope that every working voter of the city appreciate the shoe factory sufficient to cast their vote to help make Sikeston a more healthy place to live.

Judson Boardman has announced for Alderman in the Third Ward to succeed himself. He is a careful and safe alderman and has given much of his time to the work of the city that came under his committee assignment. The election is Tuesday, April 1.

Chas. Prow knows that advertising pays. Last Thursday he mailed printed price lists to 2500 people and early Friday morning the manager of the big farm near Bertrand operated by the Kansas City Land Bank of Kansas City, came into the store with a checked list and bought \$225 worth of harness to equip 24 head of mules. The same price lists kept the Baker-Bowman Hardware Co. crowded all day Saturday.

Last week T. S. Heisserer & Company bought the building they occupy in Oran from the A. J. Matthews Company, and also the stock of that concern in the store business. The sole owners of the mercantile establishment are now G. J. Slickman, Z. A. Heisserer and the T. S. Heisserer estate. This is one of the finest and best arranged store buildings in Southeast Missouri, outside the cities.—Benton Democrat.

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**Scratch "NO"**

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## CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Mesdames E. O. Fisher, Josephine Hart, Ina Mae Rogers, Miss Mary Lucille Daugherty, E. O. Fisher and Alpha Jennings of Sikeston attended the dance given at Benton Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Fisher and son spent the week-end at Cape Girardeau visiting the H. I. Himmelberger family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Simms went to St. Louis Sunday where Mr. Simms will enter the Baptist Sanitarium for treatment for a while.

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ed the air so vehemently that they lost their own breath.

John Pounders of Alabama has moved to Tanner. During the winter he cleared about forty acres of the farm he bought.

The four months old baby of Will James was buried in Sikeston, Friday. The baby died with a rising on the head complicated by pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard and Miss Hyacinth Sheppard spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau with relatives.

Miss Margaret Moore and mother, Miss Martha Johnson, Miss Viva Gay, Andrew French, Charles French and Bernice Farmer of Charleston attended the dance here Thursday night.

The estimated cost of sewer system made by Fuller Engineering Co. of St. Louis on the tax bill plan was \$160,000.00. Under the bond issue plan, which is a cash proposition to the contractor, he will bid on the bond issue part 20 per cent less. Or your \$100,000.00 bonds will build \$128,000.00 of the above estimate, leaving only \$32,000.00 to be done by tax bill. Four thousand lots in our town would make the tax bill cost per lot of \$8.00, 5 years to pay in, would amount to \$1.60 per lot per year, for five years. Would \$1.60 per year, with the bond tax, give any one cause to raise the rent? The big talk against the issue is, that it is the wrong time. That is what they said about the shoe factory and the streets, and everything that has been for the up-building of Sikeston.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Leming, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lampkins, Miss Irene Goss, Harry Albert, Lustin Comer, Bill Bergman and R. B. Gibbs of Cape Girardeau attended the dance in this city Thursday of last week.

### Says Germany Can Pay

The interesting news comes from Paris that the Dawes committee will report not only that Germany can pay, but that after a brief moratorium she can pay substantial annuities toward a total of seventy billion gold marks. It is stated that this would be sufficient to allow France twenty six billion gold marks for the repayment of the reconstruction of the devastated regions plus twelve billions for the payment of internal debts, and to England the fourteen billions which she has asked in order to pay America what she owes, as well as to allow to Italy and Belgium five billion gold marks. With all this brought about, it is obvious that a long step toward a final and acceptable settlement will have been made.

Still more interesting is the reported showing of the Dawes committee that all this can be done merely by fixing upon the German people taxes as heavy as those now imposed upon the French and British taxpayers. It has been asked over and over why Germany could not stand taxation equally as heavy as that borne by France and England, particularly in view of the fact that Germany, unlike France, remained safe from the devastating tread of contending armies and now has no internal debt. The only answer given, apart from the cry of poverty, was that the German government feared that the Germans would not submit to it with the patience of the French and British. It is not stated what guarantees or pledges the committee will demand, although this would seem to be the most important feature, experience having shown how difficult if not impossible it is to hold Germany to any pledge whatsoever.

Ernest Arterburn left Sunday for Little Rock, Ark., where he expects to stay several days.

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Mr. Riley, Mrs. Sam Hunter, Jr., and daughter, Miss Frances Richards, Evans Copeland and Morris Franklin of New Madrid were among the out-of-town guests at the dance Thursday night.

## PIPE

Instead of 24 movable bones, you would never need a Chiropractic Adjustment.

So long as the spine has to bend to every angle of the compass to meet all the requirements of the body, it will be subjected at times to undue jolts, strains, jars, etc., which will cause one or more vertebrae to slip slightly out of alignment, producing pressure on a nerve trunk. The part of the body supplied by it cannot get the full amount of brain energy and will become weak and diseased.

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

The Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club was very delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. H. C. Hunter last Thursday afternoon. Mesdames A. A. Weigle, F. M. Robbins, William and Milton Mann, playing as substitutes. A wicker flower basket was presented to Mrs. W. D. Knott for making the highest number of points. After the game an elegant two-course luncheon, consisting of stuffed green peppers, Waldorf salad, asparagus on toast, hot rolls and coffee and egg kisses were served.

Marriage license recorded in New Madrid County for the month of February:

Fred Brown and Edna Johnson, New Madrid.

Jesse Edwards and Bessie M. Eads, Tallapoosa.

R. R. Boyatt, and Gertrude Lawson, Canalou.

John H. Farris and Grace Underwood, Tallapoosa.

Arthur C. Littell and Lottie L. Baker, Malden.

Thomas V. Denton, Morehouse and Lela B. Clayton, Essex.

LeRoy Pitts and Lennie Barnes, Parma.

Jim Harbison and Iva Manse, Sikeston.

Harvey Emory and Levan Woods, New Madrid.

George Alton and Lora Hamilton, Gideon.

Fred F. Powell and Dorothy Hinze, Parma.

J. L. Morris and Effie Anthis, Lilbourn.

Ules Carr and Colleen Lee, Keweenaw.

Jas E. Stone, Oran and Sarah Crider, Wardell.

David Powell, Portageville and C. Jackson, Portageville.

Mary A. Chapman and husband to Louis La Plant, und. int. NE 4 SE 4 sec. 10-23-15. \$300.

E. C. Robinson Lumber Co. to C. C. Stewart, D. A. Chiles and J. W. Emory, Trustees of the Knights Ku Klux Klan and their successors. Lot 2 block 4, C. D. Matthews 5th addition, Matthews, \$500.

Jno. Porter and wife to G. B. Humphrey and wife: Lots 15 and 16 block 3 Riso, \$480.

D. M. Wilson and wife to Jas. Mc.

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60 or 70 acres, with buildings for cotton; 1 1/2 miles east of Kingshighway road. See

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## Washington's Prohibition Tragedy

If the shooting of Senator Greene in a running battle with bootleggers within a few yards of the United States Capitol does not bring the Prohibition situation to a head in Washington, declares the *Troy Record*, "nothing will." The Senator from Vermont, it will be recalled, was struck by a stray bullet in an exchange of shots between bootleggers and Prohibition enforcement officers. Moreover, we are informed by the Philadelphia Ledger's Washington correspondent, "this incident is not the first in which the lives of those on the streets here have been endangered by pistol battles with bootleggers." In fact, says the Richmond *Times-Dispatch*, "this case, while conspicuous because of its victim's position, is a typical one." In the opinion of the Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph, it "serves to call attention to the reckless use of deadly weapons by officers of the law in our American cities", and we find this belief expressed by other widely scattered papers, which compare the streets of Washington to Mexico in time of revolution. As the Springfield Union on remarks:

"That a United States Senator, walking with his wife on Pennsylvania Avenue, should be brought down by a bullet from a Prohibition enforcement agent's revolver, is a sad commentary on the manner in which the Commissioners of the District of Columbia view their responsibility for the public safety, on the methods and practices tolerated, if not directly sanctioned, by the Prohibition Enforcement Bureau, and on the whole scheme of national Prohibition, with its country-wide crop of evils."

"But now Congress is deeply stirred by the nation's disgrace, and something will be done, promptly, no doubt, to make the streets of Washington safer. Whether anything will, or indeed, can be done to insure better enforcement of the Prohibition Law, in Washington or elsewhere, is another question."

The Prohibition situation in Washington, for months a "center of criticism and controversy", to quote the Ledger's correspondent, is thus brought into the limelight. As this Washington observer explains:

"The whole question has been complicated by a three-cornered dispute joined in by agents of the Prohibition unit, officers of the intelligence division of the Treasury Department and the city police. Recently police and Prohibition officials engaged in battle, in which serious charges were made against members of both forces, and several on both sides were suspended.

"While all of this has been in progress charges of liquor-buying by high officials and ordinary citizens alike have been on the increase. Not long ago it was announced that a list of hundreds of names of prominent bootleggers customers had been seized in a police raid, but the superiors of those who made the raid so successfully shifted responsibility for the list that the names themselves finally disappeared entirely from public attention.

"There have been repeated demands in Congress for an investigation, but every move for a public inquiry into conditions has failed for one reason or another."

The Richmond *Times-Dispatch*, however, maintains that—

"No question of Prohibition is properly involved in the shooting in Washington of Senator Green by a Prohibition officer. The question, if there is any, is the recurrent question of utterly reckless shooting by officers—whether they happen to be assigned to Prohibition enforcement or to some other line of duty".

Obviously, agrees the Pittsburgh Post, "there should be the greatest care against shooting in the streets; the lives of the humblest as well as the highest must be protected." This is also the Philadelphia Inquirer's stand, while the Washington Post declares:

"These shooting exhibitions smack of lawlessness in law enforcement, and register reckless disregard of the public's right to use of the highways without being suspected to deadly peril. It is well to apprehend those who violate the Prohibition Law. But enforcement officers are not warranted in carrying their efforts to violent lengths that endanger the lives of all in their path. Even if the fleeing are known to be guilty, that is no warrant for gun-play that may strike down others. It is better that ninety and nine guilty should escape than that one innocent person should be injured or killed".

The Washington Star, on the other hand, while admitting that the pursuit of Prohibition violators thru the streets in open warfare is a "grave public danger," questions "whether there should be any slackening in the pursuit of lawbreakers or any change of method." Continues this Washington paper:

"Perhaps the enforcement officers

## COTTON GROWERS OF U. S. WARNED NOT TO OVER-PLANT

In this case were too 'quick on the trigger'. Possibly they showed poor judgment in firing after the fleeing violators at that particular place. But it must be remembered that they are charged with the duty of catching liquor-runners.

"The chance of police shots hitting innocent people of whatever rank in life is ever present in these days of bold crime in the cities of this country. Are the police to be deprived of their arms, or enjoined against firing save in self-defense. Such an order would make for more crime, for immunity for the law-breakers. They are bold and desperate. Apparently only the fear of death will deter them from their nefarious enterprises. Is the law to be allowed to lapse for lack of enforcement?"

"This case doubtless will cause a careful consideration by those in authority of the methods whereby enforcement officers are to carry on their work. It should not, however, react to check to the pursuit of law-breakers".

While the Richmond *Times-Dispatch* says the question of Prohibition is not involved in the shooting of Senator Greene, the Boston *Globe* believes Prohibition enforcement directly to blame for this and other similar accidents. In fact, avers this paper, "the tide of lawlessness over the Volstead Law has reached a point where anyone may be shot, anywhere, at any time." Continues The *Globe*:

"Morning after morning, as one scans the news, he finds paragraphs telling of the gun-play incident to the enforcement, the non-enforcement and the flouting of the Eighteenth Amendment. Shots are heard at night; high-powered cars rush thru the darkness; dead bodies are picked up. The explanation accepted wholesale is—bootleggers."

### HOGS KILLED IN YEAR WOULD CIRCLE GLOBE

Washington, February 28.—A double file of hogs around the world at the equator and a single unbroken line from the North Pole to the southern end of South America is the graphic picture presented by the Department of Agriculture of America's slaughter of porkers last year.

The department's statisticians calculate the 81,532,600 hogs killed for consumption would reach 61,770 miles if placed end on end, allowing four feet for each hog. The same numbers, they add, if placed 21 abreast, would form a bristling lane from New York to San Francisco.

Miss Ellen Cavanaugh of Canalou was in Sikeston shopping Monday.

E. J. Keith and J. F. Cox left Sunday night for Memphis, Tenn., on business.

Mrs. Lynn Higginson of Decatur, Ill., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Norrid.

J. W. Jones of Morehouse was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Jones, Sunday.

When Protestant, Cahtolic and Jewish speakers come together on the same platform in the interest of a movement to provide religious instruction for school children, it is safe to conclude that the need is regarded as urgent and that it is believed the schools are producing young pagans at a great rate as they did recently in New York.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Prouty of Sikeston visited friends in Matthews, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Mrs. Albert Deane were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

A large number of people from different place attended the home military demonstration at the home of Mrs. Leon Swartz, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Vaughn of Catron spent Friday and Saturday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Tenny Burch.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lancaster and children of Delta spent from Thursday until Saturday at the home of Homer and Jim Lancaster.

Mrs. Nannie Lee is very ill at this writing.

W. H. Deane motored to Morehouse on business, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weatherford motored to Sikeston Thursday on business.

Mr. Jenkins, who was operated on a few weeks ago for appendicitis, and was getting along nicely, is reported to be in a very serious condition.

Wes Depro is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. James Coghill of Canalou visited her mother, Mrs. George Eldrebrooks Saturday.

Mrs. George Reid and Mrs. Nancy Trotman of Arkansas spent Wednesday with Mrs. Clarence Sutton.

Mr. and Mrs. Latimer spent Saturday evening in Marston with relatives.

Fred Mullin has purchased a new Ford touring car.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and little daughter, Helen motored to Sikeston Friday.

Mrs. Nancy Trotman returned to her home in Brooklyn, Ark. Thursday after a several weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Morgan.

## NEW MADRID MERCHANT DIES; CANCER VICTIM

New Madrid, March 3.—David Mann, 69 years old, one of the leading merchants of New Madrid, died at his home here at 5 p. m. Sunday of cancer of the stomach. He had been sick several years.

Mann, who came to New Madrid several years ago, was proprietor of one of the largest general mercantile stores here, which is now operated by his two sons, Milton and Wm. Mann. He accumulated considerable property and was reputed to be wealthy. His only surviving relatives are the two sons.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Finis Jones and daughter, Miss Margaret, spent Sunday at Vandusen with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hazel. Mr. Hazel is seriously ill with pneumonia.

An interesting letter from Mrs. A. E. Conn, former resident of Sikeston, was received by The Standard editor. Mrs. Conn is the mother of Mrs. Virginia White, who was the Domestic Science teacher in Sikeston about three years ago. She wishes to be remembered to her many friends in this city. Mrs. White is still with the Farm Agent Department of the Agriculture Department of the State of New York.

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Wednesday, March 4, from 1 to 2 P. M. we will sell Brown Domestic, 20c grade, at

**1 0 1/2c**

Only 10 Yards to a Customer.

## DOVE OF PEACE MOVES TO HERRIN

It's Armistice Day again. The world was in Herrin is all over. Now for the bonus.

All is quiet on the Williamson county front. The army and navy never has stacked arms and turned in for the time being. The League of Citizens, which is something like the League of Nations, has both sides quiet out of its hand. The dove of peace has built its nest in Herrin where it can live in quiet and comfort after years of grief and backsliding in St. Louis and Washington. However, the old bird bears evidence of its residence in these two places. Its wings are clipped from encounters with stray bullets from the gangsters' war in St. Louis. And since Washington has become an oil field, its lily white coat has become soiled and dirty.

The peace plans in Herrin have been drawn and approved by both the Klux and the anti-Klux. Under the true arrangement those who don't want their toddy have agreed to quit raising so much fuss about it, and the Sheriff has promised not to raid any more booze joints. The Ku Klux will do nothing but kuck and await their Ku, and the Flaming Circle will confine their flame to their own circle.

The League of Citizens has appointed a new squad of deputies to replace the old force which Sheriff Galligan dismissed. Under the new arrangement, the Sheriff will not resign, but he promises not to work at his job, if it takes that to satisfy everybody. He will just stick around and keep the office straight and answer the telephone. Signed up for the same pay with better working conditions, as it were. The new sleuths will be expected to make the county safe for abstainers.

The Government has become real provoked at Williamson county. They raise so much fuss down there during the last meeting of the Citizens Artillery Society that all the crowd was attracted away from the Senate Inquest Committee hearing on "Oil and How to Get By With It". So last week Uncle Sam detailed a bunch of carpenters to go down to Herrin and nail up quite a number of the city's alleged artesian well wells, after which the hearing in Washington was recessed.

While the peace conference is scrapping all the heavy artillery, Glenn Young has gone to Chicago, to get away from the crowd, for a few days rest. After which, he don't say which way he will shoot.

With this quiet and peaceful atmosphere surround us, about all we have to amuse ourselves is to draw our overstuffed, on-the-easy-payment-plan fireside chair up beside the dollar-down-dollar-a-week stove, throw in another bucket of our neighbors coal and settle down to read the St. Louis papers. On the grain page we check up on the killed and wounded gunmen and their victims. And then we turn over to the editorial page and spend a pleasant half hour reading about what a barbarous community we live in—and how to civilize it.

A press dispatch from St. Louis today says "Only Two Murders Marked the Week End in St. Louis". Now isn't that remarkable? Down here in God's country, we think of the week end as a time to send our suit to the tailor, change socks, put on another collar and go to church and Sunday school. In St. Louis the week end is the time to see which crowd can send the most folks to the promised land at the point of a revolver.

Another dispatch says the Senate Public Lands Committee is again dealing in gossip and that reports are to be investigated that certain members of the investigating committee itself, are in telegraphic communication with Ex-Secretary Fall and other leading lights in the work of pilfering the governmental machinery. If the thing gets to where the investigating committee is under suspicion, it may be necessary to appoint another Senate committee to investigate the investigation. In my opinion, this thing is getting to the point where some prominent member of the committee is liable to make a motion to adjourn.

Is it any wonder that we go on the war path at times?

Of the next witness, Mr. President.—West Frankfort, Ill., Daily American.

More than 800,000 women in the United States filed income tax returns in 1923.

Cold weather in the Gulf coast regions, according to a report received by the United States Department of Agriculture, has apparently resulted in high mortality among some of the semitropical forms of a truck-crop insects, such as the belted cucumber beetle, the Australian tomato weevil, and the sweet-potato weevil.

# VOTE FOR SEWER

**Don't let the Calamity Howler cause you to vote against Sikeston's future--vote YES and help make Sikeston 10,000 in five years.**

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**The large tax payers are the ones that are able and will pay the big part, and all are benefitted alike--Vote YES.**

**Are we to stay at home and let the Calamity Howler run our city? No! --Vote YES.**

**What is the health of your family worth to you? Can you figure it in dollars and cents? The records show that an up-to-date sewer system reduces the death rate from typhoid, Fifty Per Cent.**

## VOTE YES FOR HEALTH

**A pair of house flies born in April may give origin to millions by August. Do not let those millions come into existence. Keep the first pair from breeding. Swat the fly by voting for sewers.**

**This system will give employment to 100 men for six months while being installed. Every laboring man in our city should vote, and vote YES. It will help your neighbor get work, if you don't need it.**

**The average cost of a cesspool every two years at \$35.00 would be \$350.00 in twenty years, and that alone will pay two bond issues.**

**The sewer system will be paid for in twenty years, and will last forever.**

## FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAKE VOTE YES MARCH 4th

When a box containing a rattle-snake 7 feet long arrived in this city by express, Monday morning, there was cause for alarm on the part of Agent Patterson and Tony Epps, the big muscular messenger who does the heavy work about the office. The snake was consigned to Chief C. E. Drew, a quarter breed Chippewa Indian and came from a snake farm near Brownsville, Texas, where they raise the big rattlers for exhibition purposes and to convert them into snake oil. The Big Indian came here to advertise a patent medicine, and intended using the snake as a headliner. After looking around the Indian decided that he would not put on a show here and the reptile and Red Man sought greener fields.

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The eyeball is white because the blood vessels that feed its substance are so small that they do not admit the red corpuscles.

Several women well known in English society, including at least two ladies of title, are adding to their depleted incomes by running public houses.

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The southern Appalachian area, upon which America depends for her hardwood, has fallen off 60 per cent in production.

In China a man may wear the same garments for a lifetime without being out of style, so little does the fashion change.

This is getting to be a tame world in its wild places. The head hunters of Luzon are selling souvenir postal cards and are learning to play croquet. The cannibals of the Solomon Islands are drinking tea and playing the mandolin. Up in the polar north the Eskimos are listening to the radio and taking boxes of gumdrops to their sweethearts.

If one would see wild life it is necessary to take a trip to one of the movie studios, or go on the streets of St. Louis after dark.

If spinach is to be cooked immediately after washing, use hot water for the cleansing process, as this will remove the sand and clinging soil more rapidly and effectively than cold water.

When washing glassware, add one tablespoonful of vinegar to one quart of warm water. Use a soft cloth. Dry immediately and polish with any lintless cloth. Then you will have clear, sparkling glassware.

Over 140 farm girls were financed by their local agricultural extension clubs to the short course recently given by Iowa State College Agriculture and Mechanic Arts for Iowa boys' and girls' club members. Thirty-four counties, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture, were represented.

It has developed in the course of a trial in Chicago that one mail order house alone in that city ships over 1100 revolvers a day. The freed-men with which criminals can secure firearms is one of the greatest contributors to crime we have. This is the distribution of one company. There are many companies selling the one-hand gun, also. Every criminal and potential criminal is armed. Very few householders and citizens have revolvers, and those know little of how to use the weapon effectively for protection.

The method of correcting this evil is to limit their manufacture under government control. However we presume such action would bring a loud protest from the neatest of giving women representation in the vestry of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

## HOMES WANTED FOR ORPHANS

Jefferson City, Mo., March 1.—Have you a home to offer to one of the homeless children under the care of the Children's Bureau of the State Board of Charities?

The Board wishes to place these children in good homes where they will have the affection, care and training they should have, and a chance to lead useful, happy lives.

The Children's Bureau has about seventy-five boys and girls to be placed in homes. They are of all ages; and there are many little brothers and sisters. Often it is unnecessary to have these little families separated, as people will sometimes take more than one child.

If the men and women of Missouri could see these fine boys at the State Children's Home at Carrollton and the little girls, who so often ask the Children's agents anxiously if they have found a home for them yet, they would open their homes to them, and be glad to have a part in giving these children a good home and a chance in life.

The Children's Bureau asks all people who are interested in giving these children a good home to write to them.

### FRENCH CONCERNED OVER U. S. NITRATE PURCHASES

Havre, February 28.—The Ministry of Agriculture is concerned about the heavy buying of nitrate in Chile by the United States.

Before the war European countries were the big buyers of Chilean nitrates, and the American market was unimportant. Lately the Americans have become large purchasers on account of the intense development of agriculture. Last August the importation of nitrates into the United States reached 150,000 tons, according to the ministry, while in the corresponding month of 1922 it was only 12,000 tons.

France, owing to the lack of nourishing compounds in the soil, is obliged to import ever year millions of tons of grain. Each ton of nitrate sent to the United States represents about three tons of wheat which eventually will be sold to France, so that it would be preferable for the latter to buy the corresponding amount of nitrate.

Present exchange rates favor American buyers, and if French farmers are to hold their own against serious American competition they will use a larger quantity of fertilizers.

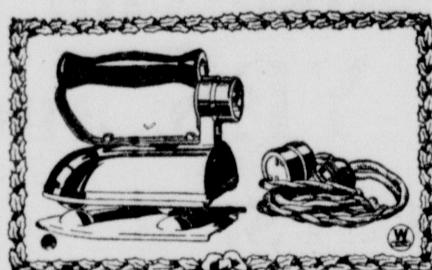
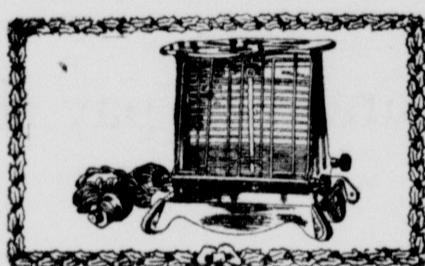
### Quartet of Great Men

We read that Bishop Brent "caused a flutter of excitement among the students at Geneva by describing Woodrow Wilson, Cardinal Mercier, Lenin and Gandhi as the four greatest men thus far of the twentieth century". Surprise and disapproval of the inclusion of Lenin will not be confined to the students of Geneva, and objection is to be expected from admirers of Woodrow Wilson who acclaim him not only for his political vision but for his moral greatness and devotion to ideals of justice. Perhaps few if any will protest the tribute to the great and high-principled Cardinal Mercier, and even Gandhi, though some might question his right to be called a world-figure, was at least moved by the high motive of political freedom and the uplifting of his race in India. But Lenin, a despot in the name of freedom, wading in blood to gain his ends!

Bishop Brent has replied to objection by saying that great men must be judged by the effect they produce on the history of the world that being what is usually involved when a man is called "great" in the larger sense. Though this is an answer to be expected from a philosopher or an historian rather than from a churchman, it has its force and its large measure of truth. Certainly it may be conceded that Lenin was great in the sense that Napoleon, Alexander, Nebuchadnezzar and other ruthless conquerors and trampers upon men in the pursuit of selfish ambition were mighty historical figures. But even moral monsters have been great in that sense, and it is obvious that the less there is of such greatness the better for the world.

When boiled frosting will not harden quickly, heat your gas oven, turn off the gas, and the even warmth will just right for drying moist frosting. If either stove or shoe blacking becomes hard, add turpentine. This will not only soften it, but it will be more durable and glossy, and will also prevent rust on stove.

The election of Mrs. Frederick Wiggin and Miss Elizabeth Hall to the vestry of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, is the first instance in Connecticut of giving women representation in the vestry of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

**Electrical Bargains****Used Irons \$2.00****Electric Toasters 75c**

**Curling Iron Heaters . . . . . 50c**  
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**Union Electric Light & Power Co.**

Mrs. W. E. Derris and children were visitors at Cairo, Saturday.

Wednesday night of last week, it being the birthday of Glenn Cunningham and Elmo Gunter, a party was given in their honor, at the Gunter home near Minner Switch, by Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Dotsin and Mr. and Mrs. James Gunter. Those present from Sikeston were: Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cunningham and children, Miss Lorine Page, Miss Verna Bratton and Miss Juanita Cunningham. Several young folks came out from Blodgett and Diehlstadt. After many games were played all were led into the dining room, where they were served hot chocolate and cake, a large birthday cake. All forty-five left, declaring they had a splendid time.

Mrs. Steele De Cane remains on the sick list this week.

Miss Justine Miller was the Sunday guest of her aunt, Mrs. L. O. Hunter at Morley.

Another way to honor Woodrow Wilson's memory is to attend your township mass meeting next Friday afternoon and vote for delegates who are in sympathy with what that great martyr to peace tried to bring to pass.

Dallas Beauchamp has returned from a three-weeks visit to Galveston, Texas, where he formerly lived. He was in very poor health when he left Sikeston, but gained 24 pounds in weight the 21 days he spent in that city. It was 12 years since he left Galveston, but met a number of people that he formerly knew.

Mrs. B. M. Jones, Mrs. E. A. Loud and daughter, Mrs. Riley, Miss Sarah Allen and Mrs. Fred Weigle of New Madrid were shoppers in Sikeston, Saturday.

The ladies of the Methodist church will hold their annual apron and bonnet sale in the basement of the church on March 20th. The public invited. There will also be plenty of eats on hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chappel and children of Blodgett, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Henson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schander and children, Miss Maudie Walker, Miss Mary Beck and Orville Denton were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Beck, Sunday.

**JUST INTE IN WASHINGTON**

Washington, D. C.—It would take someone like the tragic poet Euripides to plumb those depths of woe to which the Republicans have been buried by the revelations in Washington. Day by day the Republicans in the Senate climb heavily and weary to the national forum, there to stand with their backs to the wall while the Democratic and Progressive sharpshooters plug them through, leaving them at last to be carried out horizontally upon the stretchers of public opinion.

Meanwhile the party faces a national election and the convention at Cleveland. Someone, nobody now knows who, must make a keynote speech. Possibly it is this horrible thought that is in the tormented mind of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge as he sits with his eyes uplifted as if in prayerful appeal through one of the Senate windows. His detachment is wonderful. He seems not to hear what is being said. He seems unconscious of what is going on about him. The roar of Senator Heflin is to him no more than distant thunder, the brilliance of Senator Caraway only heat lightning playing far away in the sky.

The Grand Old Party is truly in straits. It has awakened from bliss to find itself infamous. It is with difficulty that the party leaders can believe it. They have to go to the Senate at noon every day and be told all about it over and over again. This process of telling them all about it is the greatest show we have ever had in the United States. It packs the Senate galleries. It makes the crowds difficult to control. It makes the correspondents write feverishly. Senators clamor for the floor. The hands of the Senate clock, which every speaker glues his eyes upon as his time approaches its end, to go under the wire at length in a perfect spasm of oratory go round and round with mechanical unconcern. They alone are unpartisan.

Everyone admits that the Democrats have outdone themselves. Nobody suspected that they had so many wits upon that side. What has been funny in the Senate for many years has been to see the Democrats squirm under the gibes of the Republicans. In those other days it was customary to talk amicably of the incompetence of Democrats, the funny people in high places, what an old hoop skirt Josephus Daniels was, what babes in the woods men like Newton Baker and Franklin K. Lane were, how the Machiavellians of Europe made off with our political Peter Pan, Woodrow Wilson, and what folly it was to let people govern the country who knew nothing of government.

The Democrats aged rapidly in those years. Some of them died. Others became white-haired before their time. About the only person over on that side who had his voice with him in those days was Senator Reed of Missouri, who mostly said what the Republicans did and gave it the added effectiveness of party dissertation. The cat had every other Democrat's tongue, and day after day those men filed into their seats to be mauled, humiliated, boohed, laughed at and made to suffer the torture of the politically damned. The Senate Chamber was their pit of hell.

It would have been difficult to have forced from one of those men then admission that there is a God, that truth crushed to earth will rise again, that what goes up must come down or that every dog has his day. It is different now. All these spiritual, scientific and social truths enjoy glad acceptance among Democrats. To see one of these men leap from his seat, the light of triumph in his eyes and the spring of redemption on his back, to hear his voice ring with the resonance of a trumpet and his laughter rush from its long prison, is not so much to feel his gladness now as to realize what he suffered then.

The moral debacle of the Republican party is complete. It is as perfect a collapse as the wall of Jericho suffered from the blast of a ram's horn. More sophistry or word magic avails nothing. This is so not solely because of crimes exposed, but for the reason that the Republican party was the sum of our political responsibility. It assumed a virtue not possessed by anyone else. Its national convention have been characterized by a flag-waving and patriotic fervor which no other party approached. It was by its own admission the grand old party.

This is what makes the show in the Senate the greatest show we have ever had in the United States. It is the self-appointed and self-anointed protectors of the Republic who have fallen. It is Caesar lies here.—Clark McAdams in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

**MISSOURI WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW**

St. Joseph—New factory of C. W. Chase & Son Mercantile Company nearing completion.

Crane—Construction under way on new Missouri Pacific station costing \$11,500.

Monett—Much road construction under way in Stone County.

Pleasant Hill—New high school building completed.

St. Joseph—Missouri Mantel, Tile and Marble Company incorporated with capital stock of \$6000.

Washington—Franklin Publishing Company, publisher of 'Franklin Observer' moving into new home.

Republic—\$3000 spent on road work in this district during 1923.

Rock Port—\$65,000 spent for road and bridge construction in Atchison County during 1923.

New air mail loop project to include St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Louis gaining much favor.

Continental Gas & Electric Company planning extensive super power developments in Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska.

Lees Summit—New bridge being erected spanning Rock Creek.

Edina—Plans being made for new plant building.

Moberly—Busy Bee coal mine to begin operations.

Canton—Plans being made for new cannery factory representing an outlay of \$20,000 to give employment to approximately 125 workers.

Grand City—Plans being made for erection of American Legion library building.

Cotton ginned in Missouri this year prior to January 16 totaled 109,851 bales.

St. Louis—Chamber of Commerce urges improvements of Missouri River waterway to Kansas City as means of increasing industrial activities.

Springfield—American Savings Bank placed in sound financial condition, to be reopened.

Seneca—Unusually rich lead vein struck below 100 level in Mason Springs property.

Festus—Construction of new M. E. church planned.

St. Louis—First contract of approximately \$500,000 to be awarded in construction of Des Perse sewer project.

Kansas City—Fire and Water Board awards contracts totaling \$356,000 for 6,234 tons of pipe.

Joplin—Construction of \$250,000 memorial hall to be completed in January, 1925.

Approximately 75,000 more automobiles licensed in Missouri in 1923 registration year, than during 1922.

Albany—Construction of \$1000,000 school building to start in early spring.

Kennett—Arkansas-Missouri Power Company improves service to city.

Claude Kerr, of New Madrid, was Sikeston visitor Friday afternoon. Hog cholera, which causes a loss of many millions of dollars yearly, first appeared in the United States in 1833.

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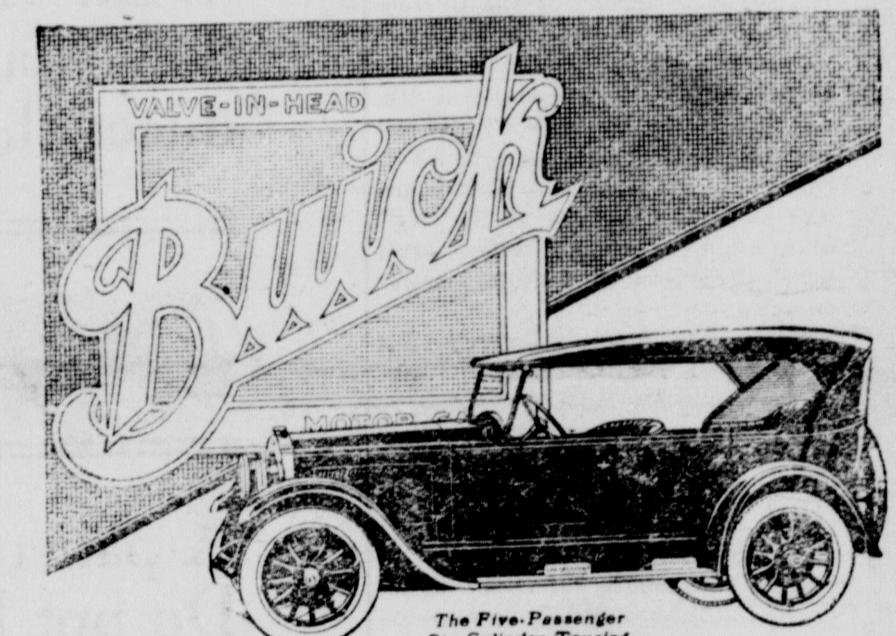
Don't forget there are dozens of grades in diamonds, you can buy a carat stone for \$100.00 or any price up to \$600. All depending on the color and perfection. I have spent over 26 years in this business and think I know something about diamonds.

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# SIKESTON STANDARD

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## Laura Mabel Guess Commits Suicide

It was a shock to the neighborhood and to the entire community, when Mrs. W. B. Guess died Thursday evening from strychnine poison taken with suicidal intent.

She was a young woman of 26 years, always seemed cheerful when on the streets and the general public little dreamed that she had any cares or worries that might lead to her taking her own life.

About 5:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon she was taken violently ill and her screams brought her husband and neighbors in and Dr. McClure was hastily summoned, when he arrived she was in convulsions and beyond medical aid.

If she left a letter giving reasons for taking her own life, we have not been informed of the fact, though it is rumored that she had told that she expected to commit suicide.

An anonymous letter to the editor told of the reasons, but we are paying no attention to such communications.

Laura Mabel Guess was born in Kentucky May 30, 1898, and died in Sikeston, Thursday, February 28, 1924. The funeral services were held at the Baptist Church Saturday afternoon, Rev. S. P. Brite, officiating, and the frail little body was laid to rest in the City Cemetery. May the Lord have mercy on her soul.

Dr. and Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Curtis Buesching of New Madrid shopped in Sikeston Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Toof, who have been living at the home of Miss Mag Tanner, have moved to the Hotel Marshall.

Mrs. Margaret Ashley returned Thursday of last week from New Madrid, where she had been visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bowman and daughter of Lutesville, Mrs. J. R. Bowman and children and Bryce Goodin of Jackson were Sunday guests of Mrs. Nellie Estes and Miss Grace Estes.

Having buried Woodrow Wilson and eulogized him to the skies, are his Monroe county admirers going to remain away from next Friday's mass meetings and let all the delegates go to the man who persecuted him for righteousness sake?

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Plant Department held an all day meeting at the local office here Sunday. Those present were: W. F. Stricker, of Charleston; B. D. Cowan, Dexter; W. N. Hammer, Poplar Bluff; W. T. Lewis, Oran; J. Book, Malden; J. E. Entwistle, Caruthersville; J. E. Everett, Senath; R. Payne, Kennett; J. Winter, New Madrid; O. F. Volk and G. B. Grifer, Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Joe Matthews entertained with an all day party at her home Saturday. Those present were: Mrs. Ralph Carson, Mrs. Frank Ashby, Mrs. Lorin Shelby, Mrs. Ernest Story, Mrs. Clyde Swank, Mrs. Gunter Simpson, Mrs. Horace Jordan, Mrs. Harry Bond, Mrs. Miles Lee, Mrs. Scott Alexander, Mrs. H. H. Cornwall, Miss Pauline Moore, Ida Deal and Lila Harris, all of Charleston, Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., and Mrs. Moore Greer. A delightful dinner was served, while the afternoon was spent in playing Bridge.

The Standard is surprised that Dr. E. J. Malone is so wrought up against the sewerage bond issue that he is making a hot personal fight against that proposition. Dr. Malone, at one time a practicing physician, should know what a sanitary sewer means to Sikeston and should be spending his time and talents fighting for instead of against it. He has been signally honored by the people of his home town and is now a candidate for State Senator, is one of the wealthy men of Southeast Missouri and should be a leader in the movement for the betterment of his home town instead of advocating surface sewerage and more privies. He is the owner of more than half a hundred houses in Sikeston, he and his family radiate wealth to such a degree, that they do not depend upon the sweat of their own brow for a livelihood, hence it is to those who are so blessed that we, who are less blessed, look to take the lead in progressive movements for the betterment of our city. When they refuse, it should become the duty of us poor folks to place the burden on their shoulders and make them bear it whether they want to or not.

## MUSIC APPRECIATION MEMORY CONTEST

The following are pupils making 100 per cent for this week:

Grade 3—Banner room, Mrs. Davis: Sam Bowman, Morie Geaham, Marjorie Mow, Louise Wood, Marvin Ferrell, Levi Jones, Russell Watkins, Orville Stewart, Florine Perdue, J. R. Humphrey, Verna Dubois, Vida Mize, Emma Lile, Hughlyn Hawkins, Thelma Kirby, Leo Cunningham and Byron Briggs.

Grade IV—Banner Room, Miss Shy: Elmo Warren, Lena Stone, Helen Hartzell, Strawdie Ingram, Virginia Randal, Ruby Wells, Mary Lancaster, Reida Aaron, Vivian Glover, Elizabeth Pratt, Walter McGee, Dorothy Bell Davis, Grover Keller, Esther Stokes, Burl Baker, Amos Hargrove, Wilson McCullum, Mayme Jean Wilbur, Martha Weekley.

Grade V—Banner room, Miss Davidson: Virginia Mount, Virginia Miley, Hazel Lumsden, Gystone Swanagon and Jessie Carr.

Sikeston is the only city in Southeast Missouri of any size that hasn't a sanitary sewer system. Cape Girardeau, Charleston, Poplar Bluff, Dexter, Kennett and Caruthersville all have them. Festus has voted \$175,000 for sewer and Farmington \$100,000. Both systems are now under construction. Sikeston is now in the class with Oran, Morley and New Madrid. Let's put her at the head of the other class.

Frank Lair, Jr., of Charleston was a visitor at The Standard office Monday morning.

The D. A. R. regular meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Walter Clymer, Saturday. Several members were present.

The W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Lescher, on Wednesday, March 12.

H. E. Edmondson, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. C. H. Yanson, for several days, returned to his home at Kennett, Sunday.

Mrs. Esner of Benton is spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Tony Maderhoff.

Joe Lagore, who attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. W. B. Guess, Saturday, returned Sunday to his home at Paducah, Ky.

We regret to learn that Dr. J. H. Kready suffered a slight stroke of facial paralysis Thursday. While he is still at the store, we hope that he will soon recover from the attack here with relatives.

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While in reminiscent mood the other day, John Fox stated that while in Nagasaki, Japan, during the Spanish-American war, he went into a tailor shop to price a suit of clothes, was told the price per suit, tailor-made, was \$5. This was 8:00 a. m. He had his measure taken for a suit and it was delivered to his hotel at 5:00 p. m. The second suit he ordered was delivered next morning at 8 a. m. Just back of the room where his measure was taken, were 20 tailors sitting on the floor for their bench and to each was given a part of the suit and then the finished pieces were assembled and put together. While on the return trip he priced the same grade suit from a fashionable tailor in St. Louis, and he asked \$65 for it.

The Boy Scout movement is fine and dandy and should be encouraged by everyone who is interested in the future welfare of our boys. At the same time the effort to raise \$6000 in Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, and Scott Counties to employ a high priced man to look out for the welfare of these boys, is bordering on extravagance that should not be encouraged. It looks like every community should have some man who is clean in mind and habits who could be induced to take charge of Scout Companies without the high salary attached. Local merchants have usually contributed from their shelves, provisions for Scout camping trips without much expense and the boys enjoyed them immensely. A high priced Scout Master and a bunch of red tape is calculated to bring up a bunch of snobs instead of a bunch of healthy, red blooded boys.

The Executive Board of the Missouri Baptist General Association is holding twenty Regional Conferences in the State in the interest of the two Great Boards of Southern Baptist Convention, the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. The conference in Sikeston will be under the direction of Dr. J. W. Reagle of Kansas City, Superintendent of Evangelism. The meetings will be at the Baptist Church Thursday evening of this week at 7:30. Two addresses will be given. One by Dr. Frank Connilly of Shantung, China and one by Dr. R. B. Whiteside of St. Louis. Friday at 10:00 a. m. The addresses will be by Dr. E. V. Lamb, Moberly, Mo., and Dr. C. B. Miller, Springfield, Mo. There will also be a meeting on Friday afternoon. The speakers are not announced. Lunch will be served in the basement of the church. On Thursday evening at 6:00 p. m., and also Friday noon for all visiting pastors. Some 40 or 50 pastors in the Southeast Missouri district are expected at the meeting. The meeting is open to all who are interested in the great Mission program of the Baptist Denomination.

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## BOY SCOUT COUNCIL ORGANIZED SUNDAY

A Boy Scout First Class Council was organized in the Chamber of Commerce rooms in Sikeston Sunday afternoon with the following officers:

C. H. Denman, of Sikeston, President; Rev. Buckley of Commerce, 1st Vice-President; E. H. Smith, of Charleston, Secretary; Bob Harrison, of Cape Girardeau, Scout Commissioner. Second and Third Vice-Presidents and Treasurer to be selected later.

Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, and Scott Counties will compose this district and it is proposed to raise \$6,000 with which to pay an Executive Scout, who will give his entire time to the work, and pay such other necessary expenses as required to carry on the work.

Harry C. Blanton and C. H. Denman represented Sikeston at the meeting.

A preliminary meeting was held at the Elks Club in Cape Girardeau, Friday evening, to which the following Sikestonians were present: C. F. Brutton, Fred Schorle, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brenton, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman, Mrs. Maude Stubbs, Mrs. J. M. Pittman, Mrs. Harry Dudley, Miss Audrey Chaney and Miss Pauline Graham.

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## SHALL WE PROGRESS IS THE QUESTION

During the past year Sikeston was the most advertised town between St. Louis and Memphis and the most talked-of-town. Why? Because her enterprising citizens went down into their pockets and secured funds to bring a branch of the International Shoe Company to Sikeston.

This progressive move calls for further sacrifices in the way of small additions to our taxes in order to provide proper sewer service for Sikeston. We are at a standstill until this proposition is put over. The additional tax will be something like \$3 per thousand assessed valuation on property, scattered over a space of twenty years. This will not be an expensive investment as it will insure the health of the city by doing away with cess pools and other like menaces to health. Many improvements of importance are awaiting the outcome of the special election. It would be a step backward to defeat this bond issue for such a purpose and The Standard urges every voter who has the future welfare of the city at heart to make it a point to go to the polls and vote YES on the proposition.

Mrs. Warren Guess of Tolu, Kentucky, who arrived here Friday to attend the funeral of her niece, Mrs. W. B. Guess, is spending a few days here with relatives.

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While in reminiscent mood the other day, John Fox stated that while in Nagasaki, Japan, during the Spanish-American war, he went into a tailor shop to price a suit of clothes, was told the price per suit, tailor-made, was \$5. This was 8:00 a. m. He had his measure taken for a suit and it was delivered to his hotel at 5:00 p. m. The second suit he ordered was delivered next morning at 8 a. m. Just back of the room where his measure was taken, were 20 tailors sitting on the floor for their bench and to each was given a part of the suit and then the finished pieces were assembled and put together. While on the return trip he priced the same grade suit from a fashionable tailor in St. Louis, and he asked \$65 for it.

The Boy Scout movement is fine and dandy and should be encouraged by everyone who is interested in the future welfare of our boys. At the same time the effort to raise \$6000 in Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, and Scott Counties to employ a high priced man to look out for the welfare of these boys, is bordering on extravagance that should not be encouraged. It looks like every community should have some man who is clean in mind and habits who could be induced to take charge of Scout Companies without the high salary attached. Local merchants have usually contributed from their shelves, provisions for Scout camping trips without much expense and the boys enjoyed them immensely. A high priced Scout Master and a bunch of red tape is calculated to bring up a bunch of snobs instead of a bunch of healthy, red blooded boys.

The Executive Board of the Missouri Baptist General Association is holding twenty Regional Conferences in the State in the interest of the two Great Boards of Southern Baptist Convention, the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. The conference in Sikeston will be under the direction of Dr. J. W. Reagle of Kansas City, Superintendent of Evangelism. The meetings will be at the Baptist Church Thursday evening of this week at 7:30. Two addresses will be given. One by Dr. Frank Connilly of Shantung, China and one by Dr. R. B. Whiteside of St. Louis. Friday at 10:00 a. m. The addresses will be by Dr. E. V. Lamb, Moberly, Mo., and Dr. C. B. Miller, Springfield, Mo. There will also be a meeting on Friday afternoon. The speakers are not announced. Lunch will be served in the basement of the church. On Thursday evening at 6:00 p. m., and also Friday noon for all visiting pastors. Some 40 or 50 pastors in the Southeast Missouri district are expected at the meeting. The meeting is open to all who are interested in the great Mission program of the Baptist Denomination.

## SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom Scott as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce F. K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Parm A. Stone of Sikeston for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce L. P. Gober of Vanduser for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

COUNTY ASSESSOR  
We are authorized to announce Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Geo. C. Bean, of Illinois, for assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Angles W. Bowman of Morley, for County Assessor, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

CHIEF OF POLICE

We are authorized to announce W. R. Burks for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. H. Hayden, for Chief of Police, of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Bill Carson for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

POLICE JUDGE

We are authorized to announce Jos. W. Meyers for Police Judge of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

ALDERMAN FIRST WARD

We are authorized to announce Ranney Applegate for Alderman of First Ward of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. C. Lescher for Police Judge of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

There is one man in Sikeston who owns more than 50 tenant houses who is moving heaven and earth to defeat the sewer bond issue and he is a man who understands the necessity for adequate sewerage and should be fit from a health standpoint if no other. These houses are assessed on an average at a less figure than \$500 each. The talk of a member of his family was that they would have to double the rent to the tenants in order to pay the sewer bond issue. The increase in taxes on each of these houses would be about \$1.50 per year and it would be highway robbery to increase the rent on these houses more than 12½ per month. It is plain that such talk is mere bunk and to frighten renters to vote for the proposition. This same condition exists with a few other owners of small tenant houses and vacant lots. It is hoped the tenants will see through the selfish plans of some of our hold-back citizens and vote the bond issue in order to give us a sanitary sewer service that Sikeston is entitled to.

Mr. McAdoo's firm was promised a million dollars for its service to the Dohmen companies in Mexico, provided satisfactory agreement were secured from the Mexican Government. The amount received, however, was only \$100,000. If McAdoo had been a graftor like the ones certain newspapers and politicians are trying to shield in the great oil scandal, he would have insisted on getting his million, regardless of how things came out. He was practicing law for Dohmen on the same basis that Senator Reed is practicing for Armour and other members of an Oil Products Company. According to reports he has not seen fit to deny, the Senator is to receive the biggest fee ever paid to a Missouri lawyer if he wins. Why does Mr. Reed believe McAdoo when he, a public servant, is selling his own services as a lawyer on a contingent fee basis, like McAdoo did.—Paris Appeal.

One of the first women to receive an honorary LL. D. was Amelia B. Edwards, novelist and archaeologist, who was thus honored by Smith College.

We are authorized to announce Clyde Demaris, as candidate for Collector of Revenue of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce E. Chambliss for City Collector of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

NEW MADRID COUNTY

We are authorized to announce G. F. Deane, of Matthews, as a candidate for Sheriff of New Madrid County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

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MISSOURI DEMOCRATS  
FIRE BARAGE AT REED

Columbia, Mo., February 28.—W. D. Vandiver, head of the League of Loyal Democrats who opposed Senator Reed's re-election in 1922, has prepared a list of questions which he asks the senator to answer during his present speaking tour in Missouri.

The questions in part:

"First—Never before has a candidate for the high office of president so lowered its dignity and his own dignity as to leave his post of duty in Washington and come home to campaign his own state asking his own people to give him a certificate of good character and endorse him as their 'favorite son' candidate for presidential nomination.

"Second—As you insist on campaigning Missouri for yourself instead of doing the work that you are hired to do in Washington, we have the right to ask you to fully and clearly answer, why you have always taken more pleasure in throwing mud at other Democrats than in supporting the platform and the candidates of the party which had honored you? Why should you not be considered a traitor to your party?

"Third—is it not true, as Senator Levee, chairman of the investigating committee, announced, that dragging McAdoo's name into the oil scandal was done at your request?

"Fourth—On what ground did the South Carolina representative make such a serious charge against a senator from Missouri? We surmise

that he remembers the darkest days of the war, when the greatest army ever transported across the seas was being fed, clothed and armed in great haste by Hellenic efforts of all the American officials, you were among vicious critics against the Commander-in-Chief and his most brilliant assistants and how these venomous shafts, fired from the rear while our brave boys were facing a powerful enemy in front, were taken up by that same enemy and scattered among the German regiments of the Hindenburg Line in order to discredit our own command and build up the tottering morale of the German army. Are not these things true? Six years have not blotted them out of our memory. If this was not giving aid and comfort to the enemy what more could you have done?

"Fifth—When you refused to be governed by a caucus of Democratic senators but went into combination with Republican senators to defeat measures proposed by a Democratic president and set up your own judgment against that of 40 other Democratic senators, were you then calling for 'harmony' in Democratic ranks or were you gratifying personal vengeance in disregard of those who had first sent you to the Senate?

"Sixth—When you had McAdoo's name dragged into the oil scandal to show that, a lawyer and private citizen, had received \$25,000 a year from Dohmen as his attorney looking after his interests in Mexico, why did you not offer, as McAdoo did, to go before the committee and testify under oath as to any and all services rendered or fees received before? He is a private citizen; you are a senator, a government official. Why don't you volunteer, now, to testify under oath as to your employment by the Universal Oil Products Co., and the fee of a million dollars you are to get from this concern, which fact is known to a small circle of your personal friends and supporters? Is it your legal ability or your influence as a United States Senator that is valued so highly?

"Seventh—Then when you raise your heads in holly horror at the thought of an ex-cabinet officer taking remunerative employment, a year after he is out of office, from a company that he had no dealings with while in office, did it occur to you that there are still living in Missouri many people who still remember that you, while mayor of Kansas City, fought the Metropolitan Street Railway Company arguing for municipal ownership of the street car lines; and then, how you, a short time after going out of the mayor's office, became attorney for this same street car company and sold your services and your influence at a good price to secure a renewal of their charter for 49 years, thus killing municipal ownership, for nearly half a century to come?

"Eighth—When you denounced ex-Secretary Fall for the corruption which has now dragged him down in disgrace, did it occur to you that if he gets well enough to fight, he might remind you that only five years ago he was your pal, your 'buddy' and side partner in all your vicious attacks on the sick man in the White House? Fall is a crook now and was a crook then. You only turned on him to deliver the last kick after everybody else learned of his fall.

But for your help he might never have had the opportunity of selling old leases. Did he owe this opportunity to any other Democrat as much as to you?

"Ninth—When you moralize over the laxity of the restraining influences in our country and the shame of the 'breaking down of our moral standards', did you have in mind your own standard of ethics as a lawyer and a senator in the St. Joseph railroad case, when your fellow attorney had to sue you to get his share of the \$60,000 swag? Or were you thinking of your employment by the Armour Packing Company while you are still a senator? Or was it at the oil company in which Phillip Armour is the largest stockholder? Or was it George Creel's caustic reference to your first entrance into Missouri racing ahead of outraged public sentiment at Cedar Rapids, Iowa?

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To remove scorched places, wet with white cloth in peroxide and lay it on the scorched place, and press it with a hot iron.

If cooked meat must stand after it is done, place it in a dish and set it over a pan of boiling water. Put this on the back of the range and cover with a cloth. It will keep hot and retain the juice.

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## A Wilson Memorial Prayer

(This prayer was offered by Rev. Martin T. Haw, pastor of the Columbia, Mo., Methodist Church, on the occasion of the Memorial Service in memory of Woodrow Wilson, held in Missouri University Auditorium, February 6, 1924.)

"O God, our help ages past;

"Our hope for years to come".

We thank Thee, that when human wisdom came to naught and darkness covered the face of the earth, Thou didst not leave us without hope, and vision did not fail.

We thank Thee that at such a time, Thou didst raise up from Thy people a prophet, Woodrow Wilson, the apostle of the Second Commandment; that it was given unto him, as it was not given to the Prophets of old, to speak to all mankind and that his voice was heard to the ends of the earth; that from the ranks of this Thy great people Thou didst bring forth a man to speak to all the nations; that to him it was given to idealize our history and our hopes and make them into a saving gospel for a shattered world.

Flesh and blood did not reveal this unto him, but it was given unto him by the Heavenly Father.

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WITNESS my hand and seal of the (SEAL) Probate Court of Scott County.

J. H. INMAN, Administrator.

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THOS. B. DUDLEY, Probate Judge.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the letters of administration on the estate of Otto J. Barnes, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 9th day of February, 1924, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

LUCY JACKSON, Adm.

their hope be our realization, their dream our experience. Send by whom Thou wilt send and lead by whom Thou wilt lead, but bring us to the plains of abiding peace and to the uplands of undimmed truth, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord—Amen.

## A LETTER FROM C. J. ELLIS TO HOMEFOLKS

U. S. S. Langley, St. Thomas, Porto Rico  
Dearest mother:

Received your most welcome letter a few days ago and was certainly glad to get news from home, as it is the first mail that I have received since I left the states, which was January 4.

Mother, we have traveled about 3,000 miles since we left Hampton Roads and have certainly had a good time on our trip. We stayed in Panama five days and while there I saw several boys which were my buddies on the West Coast, and they were certainly like brothers to me. There were twenty-three battle ships and almost every ship in the navy has been at Panama. There were about fifty-six thousand sailors there at the time. This is one trip which I shall never forget for a fellow can almost write a book on the beautiful things he sees. I have seen some of the prettiest scenery, they were pictures in themselves. We are leaving St. Thomas Monday for the States. Our next destination will be Pensacola, Fla. We will arrive there about February 11.

I am in the best of health and hope the folks the same.

Lovingly,

Your son,

CLENIPON J. ELLIS,

, U. S. S. Langley

Pensacola, Fla.

Homer Lynch of Charleston was in Sikeston on business, Thursday of last week.



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Mr. Hill and Albert Bruton spent Sunday at St. Marys, Mo.

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## DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING FRIDAY

### TO THE DEMOCRATS OF SCOTT COUNTY, MISSOURI:

In accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Democratic State Committee, township conventions are hereby called to be held in each township at the following places, on March 7, 1924, at 2:30 p.m.

Commerce Township, at the City Hall in Commerce.

Tywapity Township, at the auditorium of the Public School at Diehlstadt.

Sandywoods Township, in Bess' Store at Blodgett.

Richland Township, in the Chamber of Commerce room, at Sikeston.

Kelso Township, the West half of the Township, at the City Hall in Chaffee; the East half of the township at the City Hall in Fornell.

Moreland township of New Hamburg at New Hamburg; and the rest of the township at the Court House in Benton.

Morley Township for Vanduser at L. O. Williams' Store; for Morley, at Emerson & Smith's office.

Sylvania Township at Oran.

These township mass meetings are held for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the County Convention to be held in the Circuit Court room at Benton, on March 8, at 2:30 p.m., which in turn will elect eight delegates from Scott County to attend the State Convention to be held at Springfield, Mo., in April.

The Township Conventions will elect delegates as follows:

Commerce, five delegates; Diehlstadt, two; Blodgett, six; Sikeston, twenty-five; Chaffee, twelve; Fornell, fourteen; Benton, four; New Hamburg, one; Morley, six; Vanduser, four; Oran, six.

Each delegation as far as possible should consist equally of men and women.

By order of the County Committee: HARRY C. BLANTON, Chairman HAL BOYCE, Secretary.

Mrs. James Matthews of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Lyman Bowman and Mrs. Ella Scott.

The Boy Scout meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms Friday morning for the purpose of deciding whether in their opinion Sikeston would want to become a part of a district organization of Boy Scouts comprising the counties of Cape Girardeau, Scott and Mississippi. These present decided that the movement should be endorsed, but that nothing binding should be decided upon until a committee had met with representatives at Cape Girardeau and determine how much of a budget would be needed and how much money would have to be raised in Sikeston. A committee composed of C. F. Bruton and C. H. Denman of the Lions Club, Mrs. B. F. Blanton of the Woman's Club, Mrs. Maude Stubbs of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. J. M. Pitman of the Mothers' Club, Mrs. C. E. Breton of the Co-Workers, Miss Audrey Chaney of the D. A. R., Miss Pauline Graham of the U. D. C., Charles Hebbeler and C. E. Breton of the Chamber of Commerce and Fred Schorle of the Catholic church were appointed to meet at 6:30 Friday evening in the Elks Club room at Cape Girardeau with other representatives of the districts, to take care of such matters as might properly come before the committee.

### Real Estate Transfers

A. J. Mathews & Co. to Jim Beasley and Booker Hutchison, lot 10 block 6 Sunset addition, Sikeston, \$100.

A. J. Mathews & Co. to Frank Moy, lot 5 block 6 Sunset addition Sikeston, \$125.

Walter McIntyre to Leo Becker 124.83 acres 2-27-14, \$4000.

J. M. Congleton to Joe Merritt, lots 9, 10, 11, 12 block 47 Morley, \$1.

Matilda Malugen et al to Gustav Sander, 40 acres 24-29-14, \$1.

Hoosier Land & Investment Co. to G. C. Duman, lot 12 block 8 lot 2 block 9 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1.

Alexander Wright, heirs to H. S. Winters, north half lot 14, all lots 15, 16 block 12 Oran, \$1.

T. W. Anderson to H. D. Rodgers and J. Cade Stewart, 128.727 acres surveys 215 and 321 29-14, \$250.

Clymer Heirs to Melissa Loftin, part lot 23, all lots 24, 25, part lot 26 oMore addition Commerce, \$475.

N. F. Anderson to Augusta Schivitz, lot 132 Oakdale cemetery, \$25.

Marshall Land & Merc. Co., R. L. Buck, J. W. Moore, J. F. Misfeldt, Jobe Spencer, Mr. Spencer, Cal Spencer, Andy Yilhelm to State of Missouri right of way deeds for Charleston-Benton road \$1, each.

Leonard McMullin to Dug Graham, lot 5 outblock 9 Sikeston, \$2850.66.—Benton Democrat.

Dr. Warren Smith of Holland, Mo., was a Sikeston visitor last week.

Miss Mary Bernice Rusk of Cairo, Ill., visited over the week-end with Misses Evelyn Smith and Burdine Schrock in this city.

John Young, Carroll Pinkley and Bernard De Lisle of Portageville were the Sunday guests of John Welter.

FOR RENT—Two rooms, furnished for light housekeeping. For information call Mrs. Lillian Miller, phone 124.

The same wide awake citizens are backing the sewer bond issue who backed the shoe factory proposition and hope that every working voter of the city appreciate the shoe factory sufficient to cast their vote to help make Sikeston a more healthy place to live.

Judson Boardman has announced for Alderman in the Third Ward to succeed himself. He is a careful and safe alderman and has given much of his time to the work of the city that came under his committee assignment. The election is Tuesday, April 1.

Chas. Prow knows that advertising pays. Last Thursday he mailed printed price lists to 2500 people and early Friday morning the manager of the big farm near Bertrand operated by the Kansas City Land Bank of Kansas City, came into the store with checked list and bought \$225 worth of harness to equip 24 head of mules. The same price lists kept the Baker-Bowman Hardware Co. crowded all day Saturday.

Last week T. S. Heisserer & Company bought the building they occupy in Oran from the A. J. Matthews Company, and also the stock of that concern in the store business. The sole owners of the mercantile establishment are now G. J. Slickman, Z. A. Heisserer and the T. S. Heisserer estate. This is one of the finest and best arranged store buildings in Southeast Missouri, outside the cities.—Benton Democrat.

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The estimated cost of sewer system made by Fuller Engineering Co. of St. Louis on the tax bill plan was \$164,000.00. Under the bond issue plans, which is a cash proposition to the contractor, he will bid on the bond issue part 20 per cent less. Our \$100,000.00 bonds will build \$128,000.00 of the above estimate, leaving only \$32,000.00 to be done by tax bill. Four thousand lots in our town would make the tax bill cost per lot of \$8.00, 5 years to pay in, would amount to \$1.60 per lot per year, for five years. Would \$1.60 per year, with the bond tax, give anyone cause to raise the rent? The big talk against the issue is, that it is the wrong time. That is what they said about the shoe factory and the streets, and everything that has been for the up-building of Sikeston.

If your spinal cord were enclosed in a piece of gas

Mr. and Mrs. Masterson of Cape Girardeau spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wallace.

The Morehouse High School was agreeably surprised Friday morning at chapel. The male quartette comprised of J. W. Sarff, E. E. Rogers, Charles Hall and W. O. Mason, gave four very humorous and appropriate selections. Miss Dowdy rendered two excellent readings.

The Senior play will be given at the gymnasium Thursday evening.

Vanduser was well vanquished in a double-header here Friday night. The girls won a near shut-out, score 18 to 2. The boys game was fast and furious, however. Only in the last quarter did Morehouse take a decided lead. The final score was 30 to 16. Cain and Averett featured for Morehouse in scoring, and Headlee and Wilkins were strong at guarding.

Joe Miller threw Wade Tucker of New Madrid for one fall in a wrangling wrestling match here Saturday night, after which the match was stopped. Tucker claimed he was not in condition. In the preliminary boxing matches, Henry Hart took three rounds against Virgil Bryant and Bill Tickell and Ike Phillips battling to a draw. Both of the latter thrash-

### THE ST. CLAIRE STANDARD

**Vote "YES."**      **Scratch "NO"**

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### CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Mesdames E. O. Fisher, Josephine Hart, Ina Mae Rogers, Miss Mary Lucille Daughtry, E. O. Fisher and Alpha Jennings of Sikeston attended the dance given at Benton Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Fisher and son spent the week-end at Cape Girardeau visiting the H. I. Himmelberger family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Simms went to St. Louis Sunday where Mr. Simms will enter the Baptist Sanitarium for treatment for a while.

Jules Taylor is taking care of the Simms' Drug Store during Mr. and Mrs. Simms' absence.

The protracted meeting which was to have started at the M. E. church last Sunday was postponed until the next Sunday.

The Wednesday evening prayer services and lesson discussion will be held at the Methodist church this week and led by E. L. Crumpecker.

Mesdames A. C. Whitener, H. L. Fox and J. W. Wilson shopped in Sikeston Thursday.

Mrs. Herbert McFarling and children, Mary Elizabeth and Dorothy of Cairo, spent the week-end in Morehouse with her sister, Mrs. W. O. Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Todd took their daughter, Elizabeth, to an eye specialist in Cairo, Sunday.

Roos Wooten moved his family to the country last week and Mrs. Treva Smith moved into his house.

The Baptist Church has entered a contest on attendance at Sunday School with the Lilburn Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. Masterson of Cape Girardeau spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wallace.

The Morehouse High School was agreeably surprised Friday morning at chapel. The male quartette comprised of J. W. Sarff, E. E. Rogers, Charles Hall and W. O. Mason, gave four very humorous and appropriate selections. Miss Dowdy rendered two excellent readings.

The Senior play will be given at the gymnasium Thursday evening.

Vanduser was well vanquished in a double-header here Friday night. The girls won a near shut-out, score 18 to 2. The boys game was fast and furious, however. Only in the last quarter did Morehouse take a decided lead. The final score was 30 to 16. Cain and Averett featured for Morehouse in scoring, and Headlee and Wilkins were strong at guarding.

Joe Miller threw Wade Tucker of New Madrid for one fall in a wrangling wrestling match here Saturday night, after which the match was stopped. Tucker claimed he was not in condition. In the preliminary boxing matches, Henry Hart took three rounds against Virgil Bryant and Bill Tickell and Ike Phillips battling to a draw. Both of the latter thrash-

ed the air so vehemently that they lost their own breath.

John Pounders of Alabama has moved to Tanner. During the winter he cleared about forty acres of the farm he bought.

The four months old baby of Will James was buried in Sikeston, Friday. The baby died with a rising on the head complicated by pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard and Miss Hyacinth Sheppard spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau with relatives.

Miss Margaret Moore and mother, Miss Martha Johnson, Miss Viva Gay, Andrew French, Charles French and Bernice Farmer of Charleston attended the dance here Thursday night.

The estimated cost of sewer system made by Fuller Engineering Co. of St. Louis on the tax bill plan was \$164,000.00. Under the bond issue plans, which is a cash proposition to the contractor, he will bid on the bond issue part 20 per cent less. Our \$100,000.00 bonds will build \$128,000.00 of the above estimate, leaving only \$32,000.00 to be done by tax bill.

Four thousand lots in our town would make the tax bill cost per lot of \$8.00, 5 years to pay in, would amount to \$1.60 per lot per year, for five years. Would \$1.60 per year, with the bond tax, give anyone cause to raise the rent? The big talk against the issue is, that it is the wrong time. That is what they said about the shoe factory and the streets, and everything that has been for the up-building of Sikeston.

The family of William Heath on North West street is under quarantine for the diphtheria.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer are confined to their beds with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Leming, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lamkins, Miss Irene Goss, Harry Albert, Lustin Comer, Bill Bergman and Renbro Gibbs of Cape Girardeau attended the dance in this city Thursday of last week.

The regular examination for teachers' certificates will be held in the public school building at Benton on Friday and Saturday, March 7th and 8th.—J. H. Goodin County Supt.

**Notice of Administration**

Notice Is Herby Given, That Letters of Administration on the estate of Laura M. Guess, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 29th day of February, 1924, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

W. B. GUESS  
Administrator.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the (Seal) Probate Court of Scott County

THOS. B. DUDLEY,  
Probate Judge.

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

The Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club was very delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. H. G. Hunter last Thursday afternoon. Mesdames A. A. Weigle, F. M. Robbins, William and Milton Mann, playing as substitutes. A wicker flower basket was presented to Mrs. W. D. Knott for making the highest number of points. After the game an elegant two-course luncheon, consisting of stuffed green peppers, Waldorf salad, asparagus on toast, hot rolls and coffee and egg dishes were served.

The W. C. T. U. held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. W. T. Royer last Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. M. F. Ehlers as leader. A splendid program was rendered in commemoration of the birthday of Frances E. Willard. Readings were given by Mesdames E. E. Reeves, W. A. Humphreys and D. B. Riley. A delicious chile luncheon was served at the close of the meeting.

The Bachelor Girls Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. H. E. Hunter on Davis Street last Thursday afternoon with Mesdames S. R. Hunter, Sr. and Mrs. L. B. Pinnell playing as substitutes. Mrs. Pinnell was awarded the prize, a vanity case, for her excellent playing. An elegant luncheon was served after the game.

Mrs. B. F. Pikey of near Portageville was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Emma Mecklem, Saturday.

Atts. J. M. Haw and James Boone of Charleston were business visitors in New Madrid, Friday.

Mrs. R. L. Witwell left Sunday for Poplar Bluff for a visit with relatives.

Sam Pikey, President of the Farmers Bank Portageville spent Saturday in New Madrid.

The members of the Epworth League held a social at the Methodist

parsonage last Thursday, under the direction of Miss Itelle Fakes, who is Chairman of the Social Department of the League. The time was pleasantly spent in games and contests followed by a dainty luncheon.

Marriage license recorded in New Madrid County for the month of February:

Fred Brown and Edna Johnson, New Madrid.

Jesse Edwards and Bessie M. Eads, Tallapoosa.

R. R. Boyatt and Gertrude Lawson, Canalou.

John H. Farris and Grace Underwood, Tallapoosa.

Arthur C. Lattell and Lottie L. Baker, Malden.

Thomas V. Denton, Morehouse and Lela B. Clayton, Essex.

LeRoy Pitts and Lennie Barnes, Parma.

Jim Harbison and Iva Manse, Sikeston.

Harvey Emory and Levan Woods, New Madrid.

George Alton and Lora Hamilton, Gideon.

Fred F. Powell and Dorothy Hinze, Parma.

J. L. Morris and Effie Anthis, Lilbourn.

Ules Carr and Colleen Lee, Keweenaw.

Jas E. Stone, Oran and Sarah Crider, Wardell.

David Powell, Portageville and C. Jackson, Portageville.

Mary A. Chapman and husband to Louis La Plant, und. int. NE 4 SE 4 sec. 10-23-15. \$300.

E. C. Robinson Lumber Co. to C. Stewart, D. A. Chiles and J. W. Emory, Trustees of the Knights Ku Klux Klan and their successors. Lot 2 block 4, C. D. Matthews 5th addition, Matthews, \$500.

Jno. Porter and wife to G. B. Humphrey and wife: Lots 15 and 16 block 3 Risco, \$480.

D. M. Wilson and wife to Jas. Mc-

Cane and wife: Tract of land sec. 25-23-11. \$500.

Gordon Cruchon and wife to Oscar B. Mart: Lot on Church Street adjoining Haltam lot: \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

Valentine Perkins and wife to Ethel E. Singleton: Lots 46 and 49 range C, Lilbourn, \$2000.

J. R. Grabenhorst and wife to Canalou Ganning & Merchandising Co. Lots 1, 2 and 3 block 23 Himmelberger-Harrison Lbr. Co., Canalou, \$3,500.00.

Albert Blatell and wife to Francis Terro and wife: L lots 1 and 2, block 26 De Lisle 1st add. Portageville. \$1400.

H. M. Flotcher and wife to Jim Walker and Grant Miller: Lot 5, blk. 5 Gideon, \$290.

### Farmers Help Themselves

It is found that more than two billion dollars' worth of business was done last year by organizations of American farmers.

It has long been said that the agriculturist is primarily a business man, but it is only of late that he has compelled recognition in this capacity by adopting the most up-to-date methods of business men in other lines.

Collectively he is the greatest of capitalists, also the greatest of producers. His weak point has been distribution. When he learns to distribute his products as manufacturers do, he will have his business built upon a rock. Through co-operation and the employment of skilled executives to handle his goods, he may do for himself more than the government can ever do for him.—St. Joseph Gazette.

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"These shooting exhibitions smack of lawlessness in law enforcement, and register reckless disregard of the public's right to use of the highways without being suspected to deadly peril. It is well to apprehend those who violate the Prohibition Law. But enforcement officers are not warranted in carrying their efforts to violent lengths that endanger the lives of all in their path. Even if the fleeing are known to be guilty, that is no warrant for gun-play that may strike down others. It is better that ninety and nine guilty should escape than that one innocent person should be injured or killed".

The dance that was given Thursday night at the Mecca Hall was well attended. Several out-of-town visitors were present. The music was furnished by the Egyptian Serenaders of Cairo.

Miss Addie Dover entertained with a dinner party at her home Saturday evening. Guests were laid for Miss Leona Gallivan, of New Madrid; Miss Françoise Black, Mr. and Mrs. Craven Watkins, of Vanduser, Miss Melvin Bowman, Ned Tanner, Milem Limbaugh and Willard Baker, of Memphis, Tenn.

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### Washington's Prohibition Tragedy

If the shooting of Senator Greene in a running fight with bootleggers within a few feet of the United States Capitol does not bring the Prohibition situation to a head in Washington, declares the *Troy Record*, "nothing will." The Senator from Vermont, it will be recalled, was struck by a stray bullet in an exchange of shots between bootleggers and Prohibition enforcement officers. Moreover, we are informed by the Philadelphia Ledger's Washington correspondent, "this incident is not the first in which the lives of those on the streets here have been endangered by pistol battles with bootleggers". In fact, says the Richmond Times-Dispatch, "this case, while conspicuous because of its victim's position, is a typical one". In the opinion of the Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph, it "serves to call attention to the reckless use of deadly weapons by officers of the law in our American cities", and we find this belief expressed by other widely scattered papers, which compare the streets of Washington to Mexico in time of revolution. As the Springfield Union on remarks:

"That a United States Senator, walking with his wife on Pennsylvania Avenue, should be brought down by a bullet from a Prohibition enforcement agent's revolver, is a sad commentary on the manner in which the Commissioners of the District of Columbia view their responsibility for the public safety, on the methods and practices tolerated, if not directly sanctioned, by the Prohibition Enforcement Bureau, and on the whole scheme of national Prohibition, with its country-wide crop of evils.

"But now Congress is deeply stirred by the nation's disgrace, and something will be done, promptly, no doubt, to make the streets of Washington safer. Whether anything will or, indeed, can be done to insure better enforcement of the Prohibition Law in Washington or elsewhere, is another question".

The Prohibition situation in Washington, for months a "center of criticism and controversy", to quote the *Ledger's* correspondent, is thus brought into the limelight. As this Washington observer explains:

"The whole question has been complicated by a three-cornered dispute joined in by agents of the Prohibition unit, officers of the intelligence division of the Treasury Department and the city police. Recently police and Prohibition officials engaged in a battle, in which serious charges were made against members of both forces, and several on both sides were suspended.

"While all of this has been in progress charges of liquor-buying by high officials and ordinary citizens alike have been on the increase. Not long ago it was announced that a list of hundreds of names of prominent bootleggers customers had been seized in a police raid, but the superiors of those who made the raid so successfully shifted responsibility for the list that the names themselves finally disappeared entirely from public attention.

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The Washington Star, on the other hand, while admitting that the pursuit of Prohibition violators thru the streets in open warfare is a "grave public danger," questions "whether there should be any slackening in the pursuit of lawbreakers or any change of method." Continues this Washington paper:

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in this case were too 'quick on the trigger'. Possibly they showed poor judgment in firing after the fleeing violators at that particular place. But it must be remembered that they are charged with the duty of catching liquor-runners.

"The chance of police shots hitting innocent people of whatever rank in life is ever present in these days of bold crime in the cities of this country. Are the police to be deprived of their arms, or enjoined against firing save in self-defense. Such an order would make for more crime, for immunity for the lawbreakers. They are bold and desperate. Apparently only the fear of death will deter them from their nefarious enterprises. Is the law to be allowed to lapse for lack of enforcement?

"This case doubtless will cause a careful consideration by those in authority of the methods whereby enforcement officers are to carry on their work. It should not, however, react to check the pursuit of lawbreakers".

While the Richmond Times-Dispatch says the question of Prohibition is not involved in the shooting of Senator Greene, the Boston Globe believes Prohibition enforcement directly to blame for this and other similar accidents. In fact, avers this paper, "the tide of lawlessness over the Volstead Law has reached a point where anyone may be shot, anywhere, at any time." Continues The Globe:

"Morning after morning, as one scans the news, he finds paragraphs telling of the gun-play incident to the enforcement, the non-enforcement and the flouting of the Eighteenth Amendment. Shots are heard at night; high-powered cars rush thru the darkness; dead bodies are picked up. The explanation accepted wholesale is—bootleggers.

### HOGS KILLED IN YEAR WOULD CIRCLE GLOBE

Washington, February 28.—A double file of hogs around the world at the equator and a single unbroken line from the North Pole to the southern end of South America is the graphic picture presented by the Department of Agriculture of America's slaughter of porkers last year.

The department's statisticians calculate the 81,532,600 hogs killed for consumption would reach 61,770 miles if placed end on end, allowing four feet for each hog. The same numbers, they add, if placed 21 abreast, would form a bristling lane from New York to San Francisco.

Miss Ellen Cavanaugh of Canalou was in Sikeston shopping Monday.

E. Keith and J. F. Cox left Sunday night for Memphis, Tenn., on business.

Mrs. Lynn Higginson of Decatur, Ill., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Norrid.

J. W. Jones of Morehouse was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Jones, Sunday.

When Protestant, Catholic and Jewish speakers come together on the same platform in the interest of a movement to provide religious instruction for school children, it is safe to conclude that the need is regarded as urgent and that it is believed the schools are producing young pagans at a great rate as they did recently in New York.

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### COTTON GROWERS OF U. S. WARNED NOT TO OVER-PLANT

Washington, March 2.—A warning to Southern farmers that "creation of an enormous cotton acreage this spring would establish a foundation for further deflation of cotton values", was issued yesterday following a meeting of Senators and Congressmen from cotton growing states. Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, presided.

Announcing definite action already has been started to investigate the cotton report issued February 1, the conference declared the value of cotton had "suffered a severe and drastic relapse", as a result of that estimate, and assured cotton farmers of their united aid in the enactment of "sound Federal legislation to alleviate existing conditions."

"In the face of constantly diminishing supplies", the statement continued, "or increased exports and heavy domestic consumption a buyers' panic has been created in the cotton goods trade as a result of recent declines in the price of the raw product. The present price of spot cotton in the local markets of the South is below the estimated average cost of production. Foreign and domestic mills consuming American cotton have by agreement or individual action begun widespread curtailment by operating their spindles for half time or four days a week.

The demand for cotton staple fabrics by retail merchants is being limited to immediate need, according to reports of the jobbing and wholesale trade.

"In adding to the above representations are being spread broadcast through the press and other sources of publicity that the cotton acreage for 1924 will be largely increased over the acreage planted in 1923 not only in the United States, but in many foreign countries. An increased cotton acreage under the existing drastic decline in the price of raw cotton and pessimistic dry goods trade is a matter which should command the serious attention of cotton growers in the Southern states before it is too late to correct an economic error."

### ALDERMAN THIRD WARD

We are authorized to announce Judson Boardman for Alderman, for Third Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

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All is quiet on the Williamson county front. The army and navy never has cracked arms and turned in for the time being. The League of Citizens, which is something like the League of Nations, has both sides winging out of its hand. The dove of peace has built its nest in Herrin where it can live in quiet and contentment after years of grief and backsliding in St. Louis and Washington. However, the old bird bears evidence of its residence in these two places. Its wings are clipped from encounters with stray bullets from the gangsters' war in St. Louis. And since Washington has become an oil field, its silvery white coat has become soiled and dirty.

The peace plans in Herrin have been drawn and approved by both the Klux and the anti-Klux. Under the true arrangement those who don't want their toddy have agreed to quit raising so much fuss about it, and the Sheriff has promised not to raid any more booze joints. The Ku Klux will do nothing but kuck and await their Ku, and the Flaming Circle will confine their flame to their own circle.

The League of Citizens has appointed a new squad of deputies to replace the old force which Sheriff Galligan dismissed. Under the new arrangement, the Sheriff will not resign, but he promises not to work at his job, if it takes that to satisfy everybody. He will just stick around and keep the office straight and answer the telephone. Signed up for the same pay with better working conditions, as it were. The new sleuths will be expected to make the county safe for abstainers.

The Government has become real provoked at Williamson county. They raise so much fuss down there during the last meeting of the Citizens Artillery Society that all the crowd was attracted away from the Senate Inquest Committee hearing on "Oil and How to Get By With It". So last week Uncle Sam detailed a bunch of carpenters to go down to Herrin and nail up quite a number of the city's alleged artesian well wells, after which the hearing in Washington was resumed.

While the peace conference is scrapping all the heavy artillery, Glenn Young has gone to Chicago, to get away from the crowd, for a few days rest. After which, he don't say which way he will shoot.

With this quiet and peaceful atmosphere surround us, about all we have to amuse ourselves is to draw our overstuffed, on-the-easy-payment-plan fireside chair up beside the dollar-down-dollar-a-week stove, throw in another bucket of our neighbors coal and settle down to read the St. Louis papers. On the front page we check up on the killed and wounded gunmen and their victims. And then we turn over to the editorial page and spend a pleasant half hour reading about what a barbarous community we live in—and how to civilize it.

A press dispatch from St. Louis today says "Only Two Murders Marked the Week End in St. Louis". Now isn't that remarkable? Down here in God's country, we think of the week end as a time to send our suit to the tailor, change socks, put on another collar and go to church and Sunday school. In St. Louis the week end is the time to see which crowd can send the most folks to the promised land at the point of a revolver.

Another dispatch says the Senate Public Lands Committee is again dealing in gossip and that reports are to be investigated that certain members of the investigating committee itself, are in telegraphic communication with Ex-Secretary Fall and other leading lights in the work of pilfering the governmental machinery. If the thing gets to where the investigating committee is under suspicion, it may be necessary to appoint another Senate committee to investigate the investigation. In my opinion, this thing is getting to the point where some prominent member of the committee is liable to make a motion to adjourn.

Is it any wonder that we go on the war path at times?

Of the next witness, Mr. President—West Frankfort, Ill., Daily American.

More than 800,000 women in the United States filed income tax returns in 1923.

Cold weather in the Gulf coast regions, according to a report received by the United States Department of Agriculture, has apparently resulted in high mortality among some of the semitropical forms of a truck-crop insects, such as the belted cucumber beetle, the Australian tomato weevil, and the sweet-potato weevil.

# VOTE FOR SEWER

**Don't let the Calamity Howler cause you to vote against Sikeston's future---vote YES and help make Sikeston 10,000 in five years.**

**Our home town is what we make it---Vote YES.**

**The large tax payers are the ones that are able and will pay the big part, and all are benefitted alike---Vote YES.**

**Are we to stay at home and let the Calamity Howler run our city? No! ---Vote YES.**

**What is the health of your family worth to you? Can you figure it in dollars and cents? The records show that an up-to-date sewer system reduces the death rate from typhoid, Fifty Per Cent.**



## VOTE YES FOR HEALTH



**A pair of house flies born in April may give origin to millions by August. Do not let those millions come into existence. Keep the first pair from breeding. Swat the fly by voting for sewers.**

**This system will give employment to 100 men for six months while being installed. Every laboring man in our city should vote, and vote YES. It will help your neighbor get work, if you don't need it.**

**The average cost of a cesspool every two years at \$35.00 would be \$350.00 in twenty years, and that alone will pay two bond issues.**

**The sewer system will be paid for in twenty years, and will last forever.**

## FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAKE VOTE YES MARCH 4th

When a box containing a rattle-snake 7 feet long arrived in this city by express, Monday morning, there was cause for alarm on the part of Agent Patterson and Tony Epps, the big muscular messenger who does the heavy work about the office. The snake was consigned to Chief C. E. Drew, a quarter breed Chippewa Indian and came from a snake farm near Brownsville, Texas, where they raise the big rattlers for exhibition purposes and to convert them into snake oil. The Big Indian came here to advertise a patent medicine, and intended using the snake as a head liner. After looking around the Indian decided that he would not put on a show here and the reptile and Red Man sought greener fields.—*West Plains Gazette.*

The eyeball is white because the blood vessels that feed its substance are so small that they do not admit the red corpuscles.

Several women well known in English society, including at least two ladies of title, are adding to their depleted incomes by running public houses.

Members of the staff of the Bureau of Entomology and one from the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture have been co-operating in estimating the loss of sugar cane in Louisiana due to the sugar-cane moth. Two estimates obtained independently were found to agree very closely. It is indicated that the average loss is about one-fifth of the sugar crop.

The southern Appalachian area, upon which America depends for her hardwood, has fallen off 60 per cent in production.

In China a man may wear the same garments for a lifetime without being out of style, so little does the fashion change.

This is getting to be a tame world in its wild places. The head hunters of Luzon are selling souvenir postal cards and are learning to play croquet. The cannibals of the Solomon Islands are drinking tea and playing the mandolin. Up in the polar north the Eskimos are listening to the radio and taking boxes of gumdrops to their sweethearts. If one would see wild life it is necessary to take a trip to one of the movie studios, or go on the streets of St. Louis after dark.

If spinach is to be cooked immediately after washing, use hot water for the cleansing process, as this will remove the sand and clinging soil more rapidly and effectively than cold water.

When washing glassware, add one tablespoonful of vinegar to one quart of warm water. Use a soft cloth. Dry immediately and polish with any lintless cloth. Then you will have clear, sparkling glassware.

Over 140 farm girls were financed by their local agricultural extension clubs to the short course recently given by Iowa State College Agriculture and Mechanic Arts for Iowa boys' and girls' club members. Thirty-four counties, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture, were represented.

It has developed in the course of a trial in Chicago that one mail order house alone in that city ships over 1100 revolvers a day. The freedom with which criminals can secure firearms is one of the greatest contributors to crime we have. This is the distribution of one company. There are many companies selling the one-hand gun, also. Every criminal and potential criminal is armed. Very few householders and citizens have revolvers, and these know little of how to use the weapon effectively for protection.

The method of correcting this evil is to limit their manufacture under government control.

However we presume such action would bring a loud protest from the United States Department of Agriculture, were represented.

## HOMES WANTED FOR ORPHANS

Jefferson City, Mo., March 1.—Have you a home to offer to one of the homeless children under the care of the Children's Bureau of the State Board of Charities?

The Board wishes to place these children in good homes where they will have the affection, care and training they should have, and a chance to lead useful, happy lives.

The Children's Bureau has about seventy-five boys and girls to be placed in homes. They are of all ages; and there are many little brothers and sisters. Often it is unnecessary to have these little families separated, as people will sometimes take more than one child.

If the men and women of Missouri could see these fine boys at the State Children's Home at Carrollton and the little girls, who so often ask the children's agents anxiously if they have found a home for them yet, they would open their homes to them, and be glad to have a part in giving these children a good home and a chance in life.

The Children's Bureau asks all people who are interested in giving these children a good home to write to them.

### FRENCH CONCERNED OVER U. S. NITRATE PURCHASES

Havre, February 28.—The Ministry of Agriculture is concerned about the heavy buying of nitrate in Chile by the United States.

Before the war European countries were the big buyers of Chilean nitrates, and the American market was unimportant. Lately the Americans have become large purchasers on account of the intense development of agriculture. Last August the importation of nitrates into the United States reached 150,000 tons, according to the ministry, while in the corresponding month of 1922 it was only 42,000 tons.

France, owing to the lack of nourishing compounds in the soil, is obliged to import ever year millions of tons of grain. Each ton of nitrate sent to the United States represents about three tons of wheat which eventually will be sold to France, so that it would be preferable for the latter to buy the corresponding amount of nitrate.

Present exchange rates favor American buyers, and if French farmers are to hold their own against serious American competition they will use a larger quantity of fertilizers.

### Quartet of Great Men

We read that Bishop Brent "caused a flutter of excitement among the students at Geneva by describing Woodrow Wilson, Cardinal Mercier, Lenin and Gandhi as the four greatest men thus far of the twentieth century". Surprise and disapproval of the inclusion of Lenin will not be confined to the students of Geneva, and objection is to be expected from admirers of Woodrow Wilson who acclaim him not only for his political vision but for his moral greatness and devotion to ideals of justice. Perhaps few if any will protest the tribute to the great and high-principled Cardinal Mercier, and even Gandhi, though some might question his right to be called a world-figure, was at least moved by the high motive of political freedom and the uplifting of his race in India. But Lenin, a despot in the name of freedom, wading in blood to gain his ends!

Bishop Brent has replied to objection by saying that great men must be judged by the effect they produce on the history of the world that being what is usually involved when a man is called "great" in the larger sense. Though this is an answer to be expected from a philosopher or an historian rather than from a churchman, it has its force and its large measure of truth. Certainly it may be conceded that Lenin was great in the sense that Napoleon, Alexander, Nebuchadnezzar and other ruthless conquerors and trampers upon men in the pursuit of selfish ambition were mighty historical figures. But even moral monsters have been great in that sense, and it is obvious that the less there is of such greatness the better for the world.

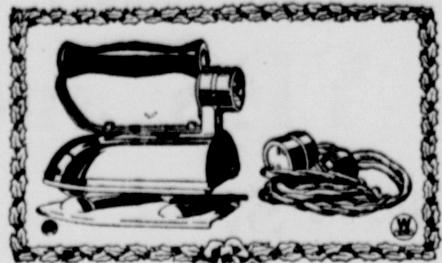
When boiled frosting will not harden quickly, heat your gas oven, turn off the gas, and the even warmth will just right for drying moist frosting.

If either stove or shoe blacking becomes hard, add turpentine. This will not only soften it, but it will be more durable and glossy, and will also prevent rust on stove.

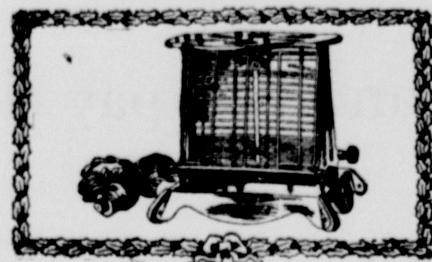
The election of Mrs. Frederick Wiggin and Miss Elizabeth Hall to the vestry of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, is the first instance in Connecticut of giving women representation in the vestry of the Protestant Episcopal Church.



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**Union Electric Light & Power Co.**

Mrs. W. E. Derris and children were visitors at Cairo, Saturday.

Wednesday night of last week, it being the birthday of Glenn Cunningham and Elmo Gunter, a party was given in their honor, at the Gunter home near Minner Switch, by Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Dotsin and Mr. and Mrs. James Gunter. Those present from Sikeston were: Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cunningham and children, Miss Lorine Page, Miss Verna Bratton and Miss Juanita Cunningham. Several young folks came out from Blodgett and Diehlstadt. After many games were played all were led into the dining room, where they were served hot chocolate and cake, a large birthday cake. All forty-five left, declaring they had a splendid time.

Mrs. Steele De Cane remains on the sick list this week.

Miss Justice Miller was the Sunday guest of her aunt, Mrs. L. O. Hunter at Morley.

Another way to honor Woodrow Wilson's memory is to attend your township mass meeting next Friday afternoon and vote for delegates who are in sympathy with what that great martyr to peace tried to bring to pass.

Dallas Beauchamp has returned from a three-weeks visit to Galveston, Texas, where he formerly lived. He was in very poor health when he left Sikeston, but gained 24 pounds in weight the 21 days he spent in that city. It was 12 years since he left Galveston, but met a number of people that he formerly knew.

Mrs. W. B. Malone and children spent Sunday at Benton with her brother, Cecil Reed and family.

Mrs. B. M. Jones, Mrs. E. A. Loud and daughter, Mrs. Riley, Miss Sarah Allen and Mrs. Fred Weigle of New Madrid were shoppers in Sikeston, Saturday.

The ladies of the Methodist church will hold their annual apron and bonnet sale in the basement of the church on March 20th. The public invited. There will also be plenty of eats on hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chappel and children of Blodgett, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Henson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schander and children, Miss Maudie Walker, Miss Mary Beck and Orville Denton were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Beck, Sunday.

Everyone admits that the Democrats have outdone themselves. Nobody suspected that they had so many wits upon that side. What has been funny in the Senate for many years has been to see the Democrats squirm under the gibes of the Republicans. In those other days it was customary to talk amusedly of the incompetence of Democrats, the funny people in high places, what an old hoop-skirt Josephus Daniels was, what babes in the woods men like Newton Baker and Franklin K. Lane were, how the Machiavellis of Europe made off with our political Peter Pan, Woodrow Wilson, and what folly it was to let people govern the country who knew nothing of government.

The Democrats aged rapidly in those years. Some of them died. Others became white-haired before their time. About the only person over on that side who had his voice with him in those days was Senator Reed of Missouri, who mostly said what the Republicans did and gave it the added effectiveness of party desertion. The cat had every other Democrat's tongue, and day after day those men filed into their seats to be mauled, humiliated, boohed, laughed at and made to suffer the torture of the politically damned. The Senate Chamber was their pit of hell.

It would have been difficult to have forced from one of those men the admission that there is a God, that truth crushed to earth will rise again, that what goes up must come down or that every dog has his day. It is different now. All these spiritual, scientific and social truths enjoy glad acceptance among Democrats. To see one of these men leap from his seat, the light of triumph in his eyes and the spring of redemption on his back, to hear his voice ring with the resonance of a trumpet and his laughter rush from its long prison, is not so much to feel his gladness now as to realize what he suffered then.

The moral debacle of the Republican party is complete. It is as perfect a collapse as the wall of Jericho suffered from the blast of a ram's horn. More sophistry or word magic avails nothing. This is so not solely because of crimes exposed, but for the reason that the Republican party was the sum of our political responsibility. It assumed a virtue not possessed by anyone else. Its national convention have been characterized by a flag-waving and patriotic fervor which no other party approached. It was by its own admission the grand old party.

This is what makes the show in the Senate the greatest show we have ever had in the United States. It is the self-appointed and self-anointed protectors of the Republic who have fallen. It is Caesar lies here.—Clark McAdams in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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